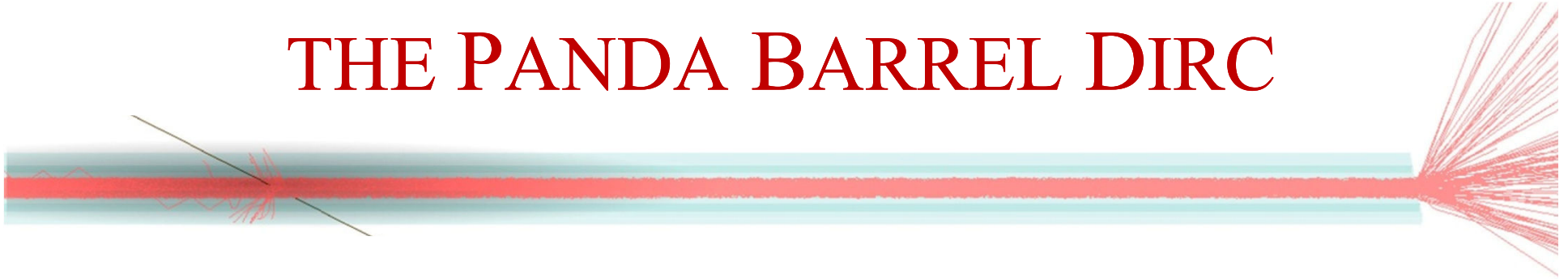


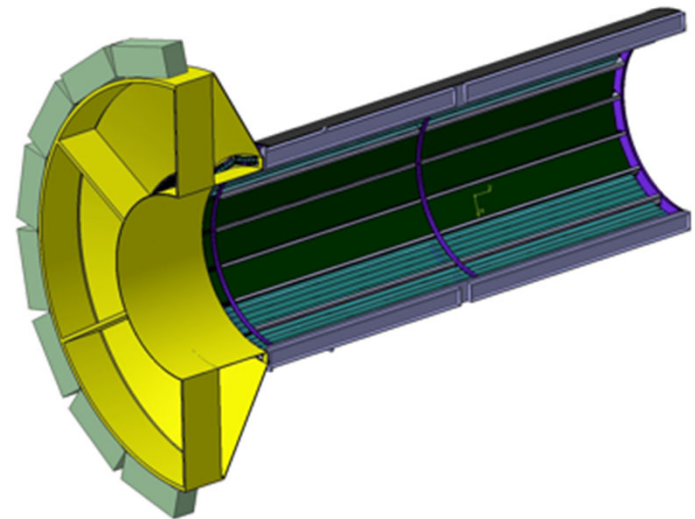
# THE PANDA BARREL DIRC



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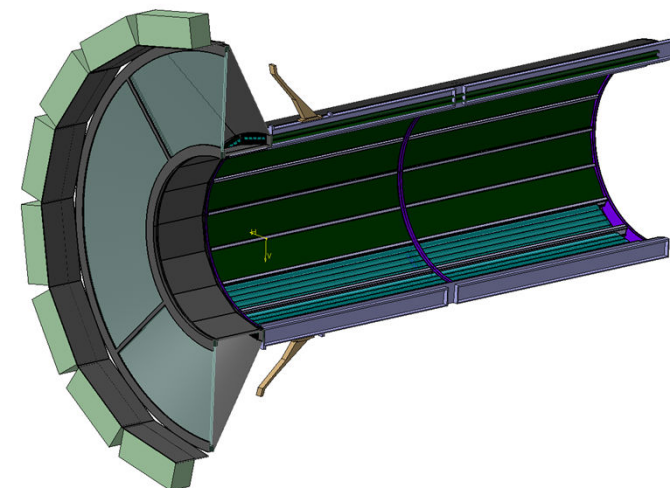


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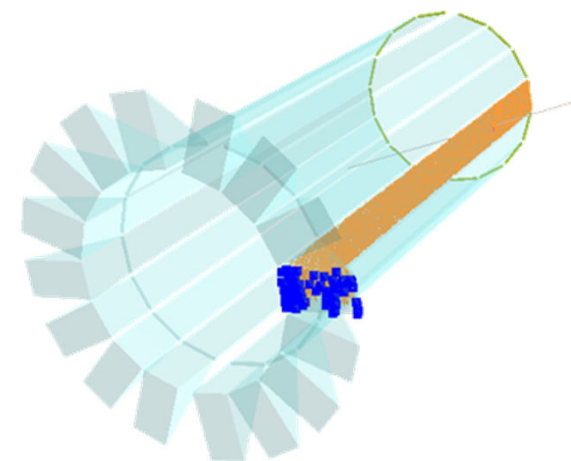
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## EVOLUTION OF THE DESIGN

## CURRENT CHALLENGES

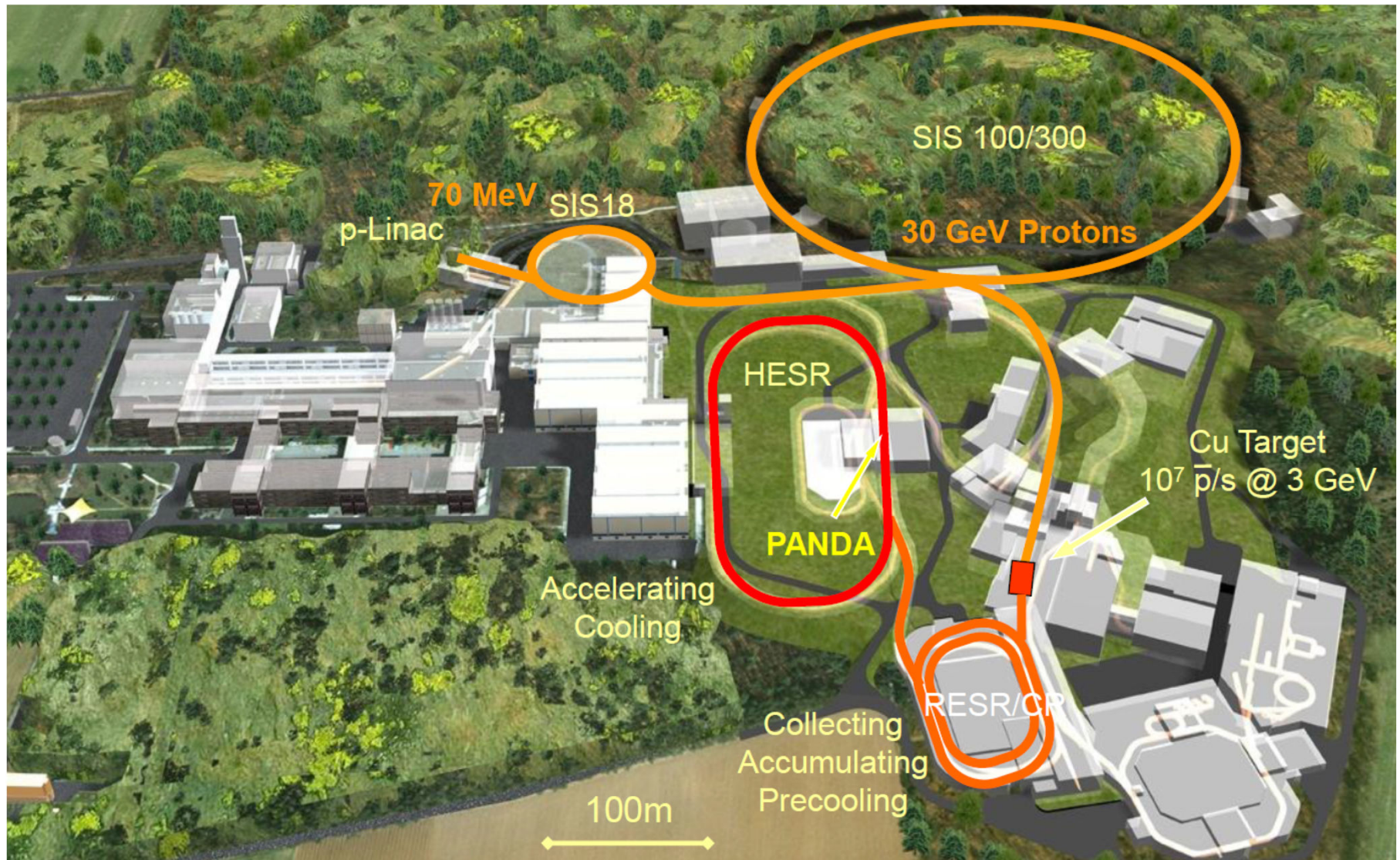
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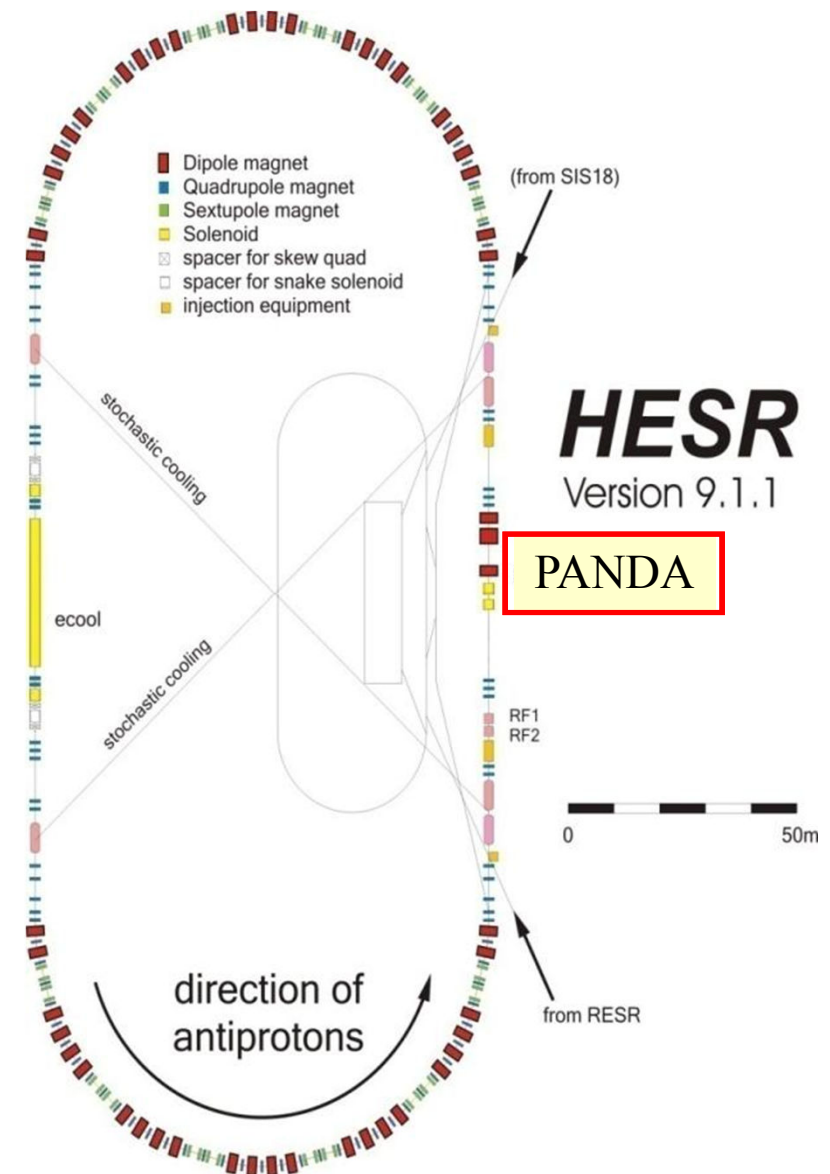
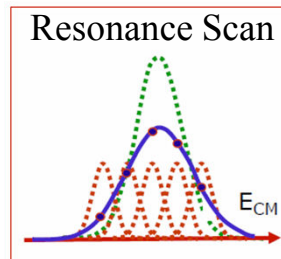
## THE ROAD AHEAD

DESIGN DECISIONS, PROTOTYPING, SCHEDULE

## Facility for Antiproton and Ion Research at GSI near Darmstadt, Germany

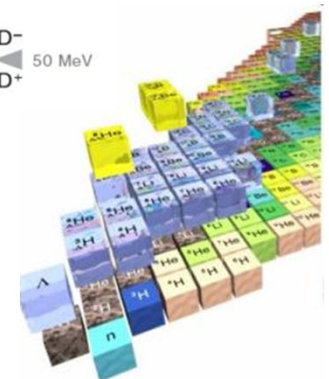
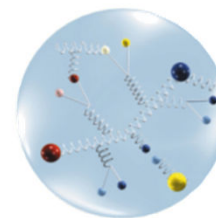
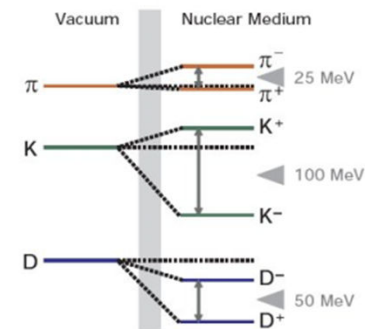
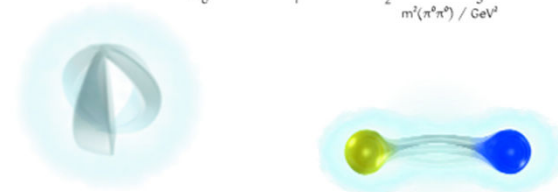
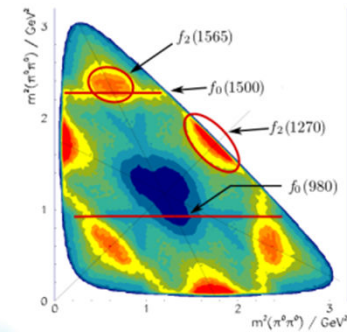


- Average production rate:  $2 \times 10^7/\text{sec}$
- $p_{\text{beam}} = 1.5 \dots 15 \text{ GeV}/c$
- $N_{\text{stored}} = \text{up to } 1 \times 10^{11} \bar{p}$
- Internal Target
- Beam Cooling (Electron & Stochastic)
- High Resolution Mode (up to 8.9 GeV/c)
  - $\delta p/p \approx 10^{-5}$
  - $L = 10^{31} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
- High Luminosity Mode
  - $\delta p/p \approx 10^{-4}$
  - $L = 2 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$



## Study of QCD with Antiprotons

- Charmonium Spectroscopy
  - Precision Spectroscopy
  - Study of Confinement Potential
  - Access to all these puzzling X, Y and Z
- Search for Exotics
  - Look for Glueballs and Hybrids
  - Gluon rich environment → high discovery potential
  - Disentangle Mixing via PWA
- Hadrons in Medium
  - Study in-medium modification of Hadrons
- Nucleon Structure
  - Generalized Parton Distribution
  - Timelike Form Factor of the Proton
  - Drell-Yan Process
- Hypernuclear Physics ... *and more*



→ excellent particle identification required

## PANDA: two DIRC detectors

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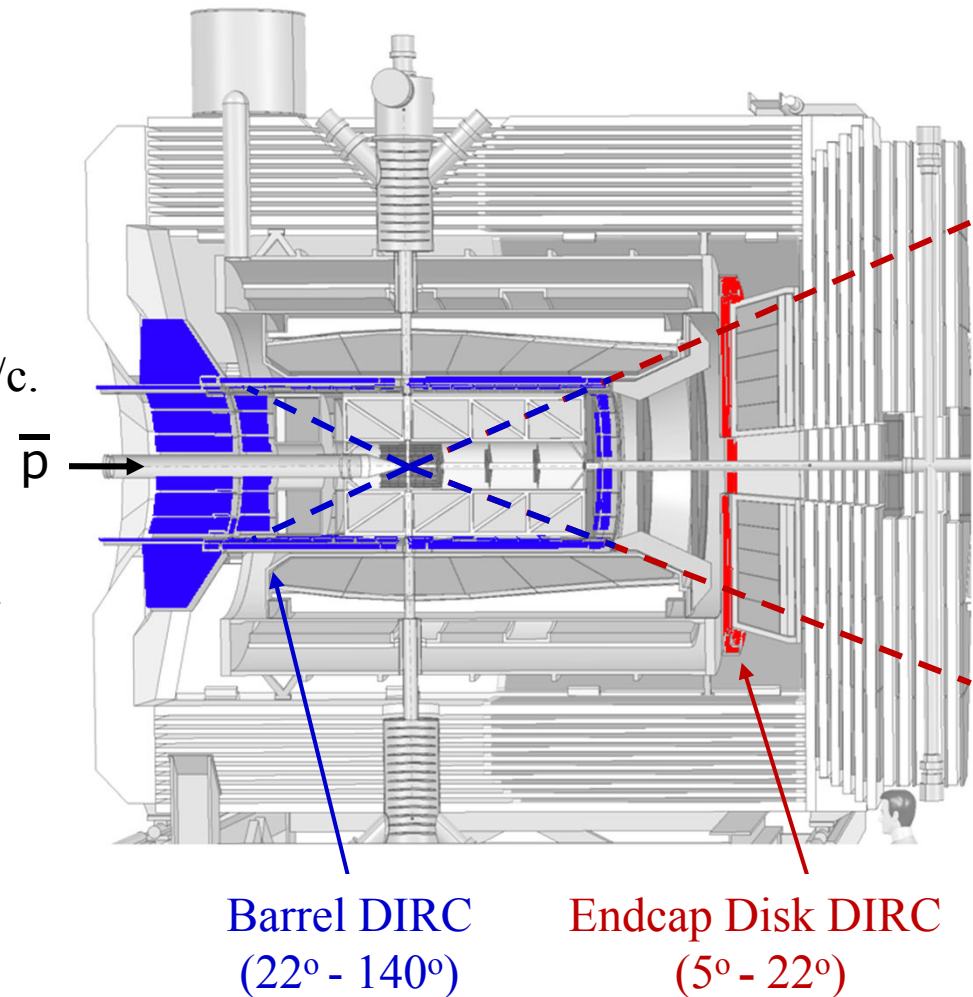
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*See talk by  
O. Merle*



Barrel DIRC  
(22° - 140°)

Endcap Disk DIRC  
(5° - 22°)

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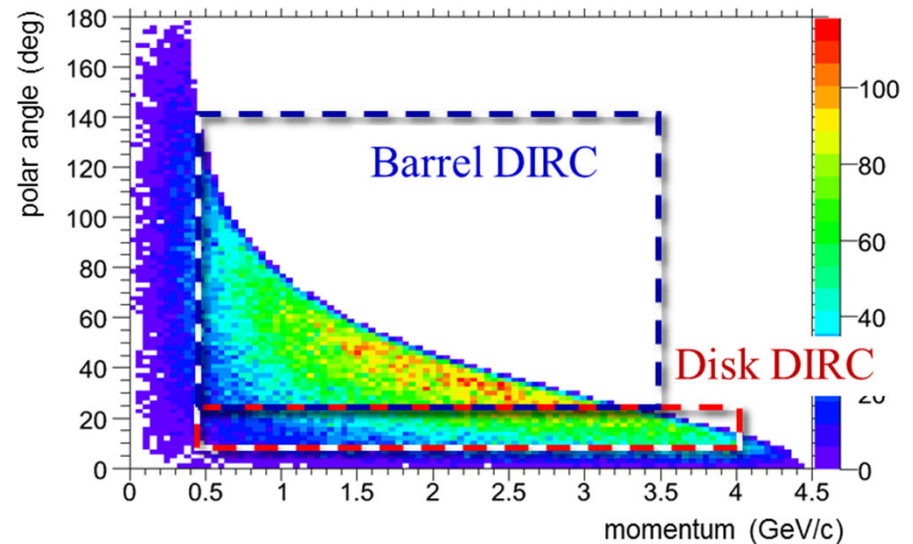
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Best barrel DIRC performance required at steep forward angles  
(highest momenta for most physics channels of interest).

Good match to DIRC technology:

larger photon yield at steep angles (longer path in fused silica).

$\pi/K$  Cherenkov angle difference in fused silica at 3.5 GeV/c: 8.5 mrad

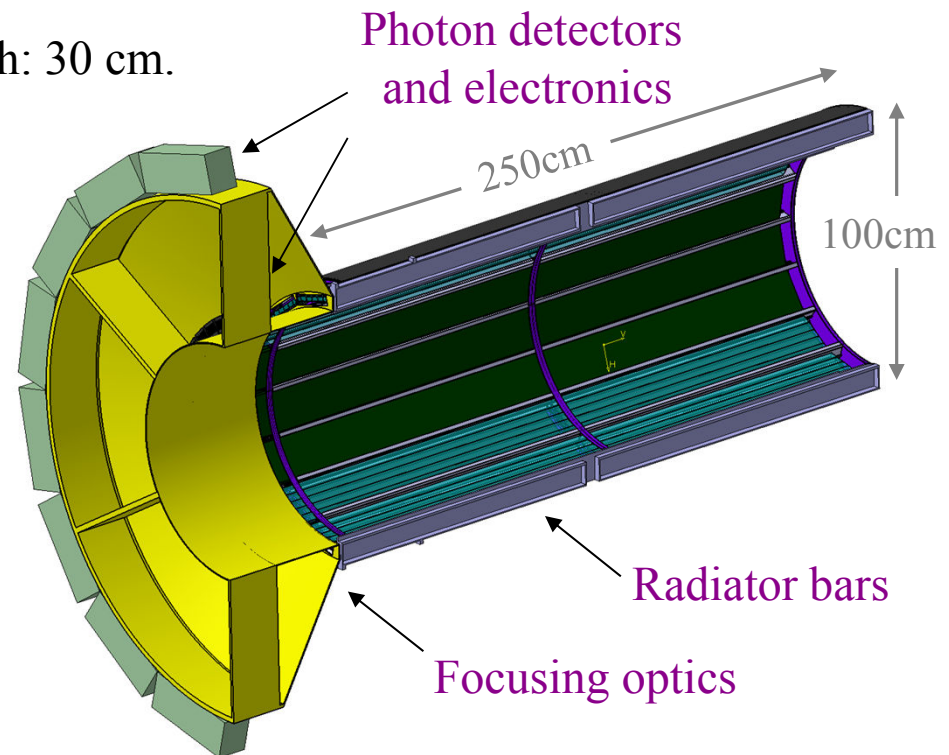


Kaon distribution of the radiative decay

$J/\psi \rightarrow K^+K^-\gamma$   
(search of glue balls)

## Baseline design: based on BABAR DIRC with key improvements

- Barrel radius  $\sim 48$  cm; expansion volume depth: 30 cm.
- 80 narrow radiator bars, synthetic fused silica  
17mm (T)  $\times$  32mm (W)  $\times$  2400mm (L).
- **Focusing optics:** lens system.
- **Compact photon detector:**  
30 cm oil-filled expansion volume  
 $\sim 15,000$  channels of MCP-PMTs.
- **Fast photon detection:**  
fast TDC plus ADC (or ToT) electronics.
- **Expected performance:**  
Single photon Cherenkov angle resolution: 8-10 mrad.  
Number of photoelectrons for  $\beta \approx 1$  track: at least 20.



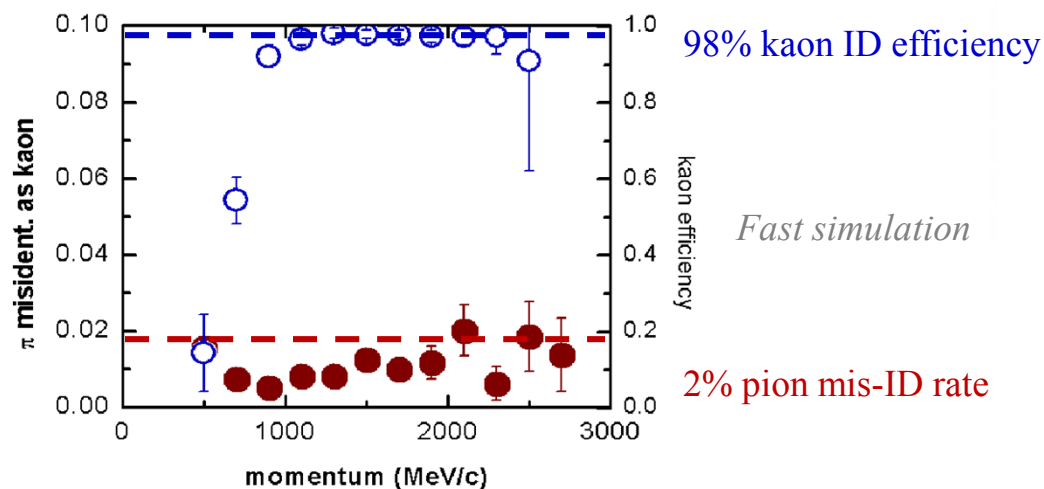
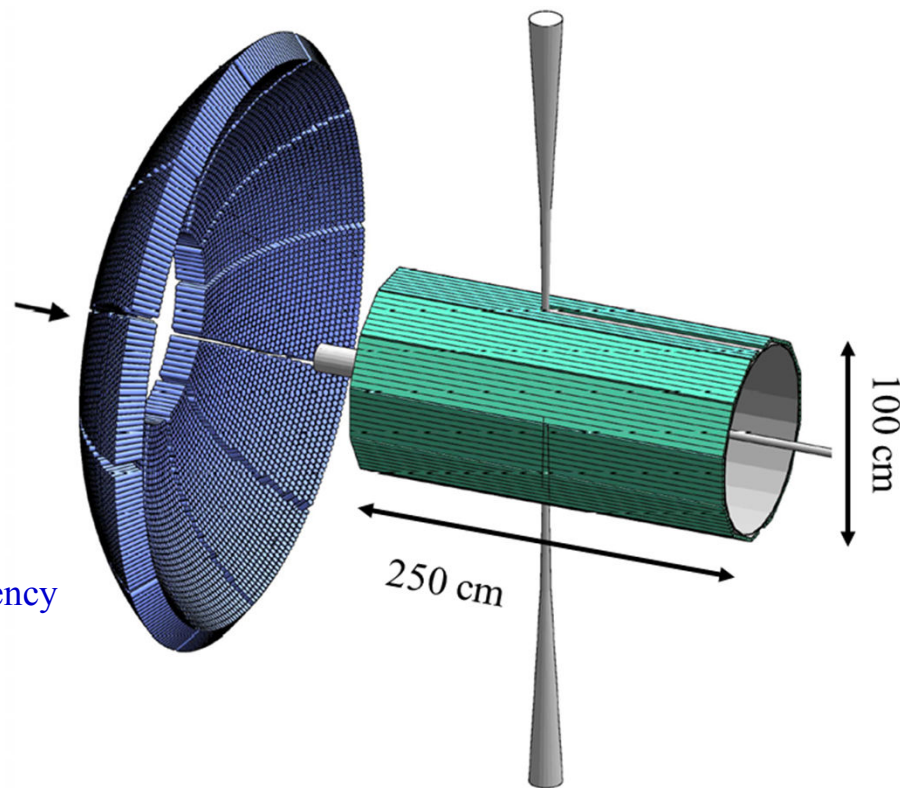
See talks by  
A. Lehmann on MCP-PMTs  
and  
M. Traxler on readout electronics



## Initial approach (before 2007): scaled version of BABAR DIRC

- 96 narrow fused silica bars, 2.5m length
- Expansion volume: water tank
- ~ 7,000 conventional PMTs

Fast simulation:  
performance good match to PANDA



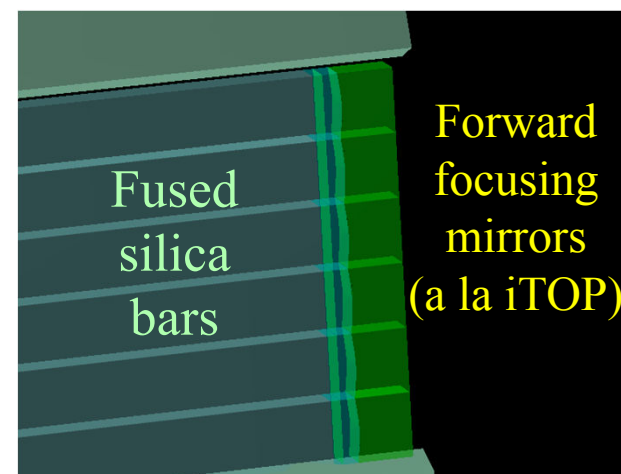
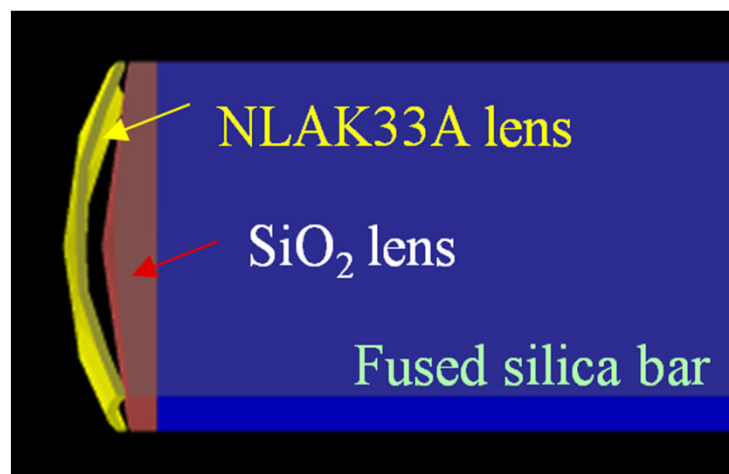
## Next iteration: place small expansion volume inside yoke

- profit from SLAC fDIRC R&D, new MCP/MaPMT advances, fast timing, small pixels, possible chromatic correction
- shorter bars, avoid space conflicts in crowded backward region of PANDA

But: bar size dominates Cherenkov angle resolution (17mm thickness, 300mm depth:  $\sigma \approx 16$  mrad)

→ small expansion volume requires **focusing** to achieve required PID performance.

Considering mirror system or lenses; many materials and designs considered.



## Optics optimized using ZEMAX, ray-tracing, Geant

Air gap between lens and bar/expansion volume causes massive photon loss - only 2-5 photons per track around 90° polar angle

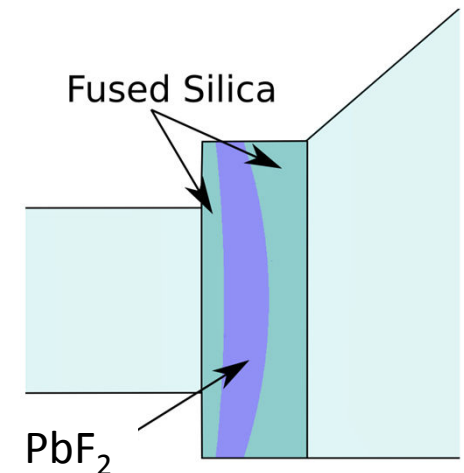
Idea: **high-refractive index lens**

refraction between  $\text{SiO}_2$  and high-n material: NLAK,  $\text{PbF}_2$ , etc

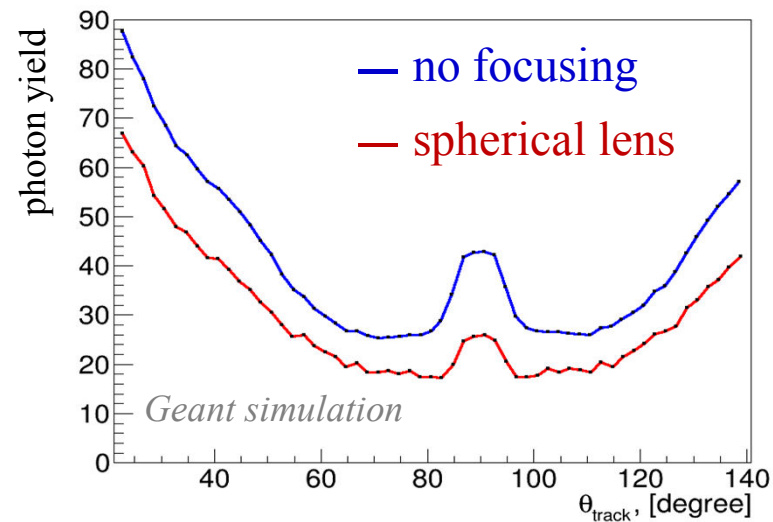
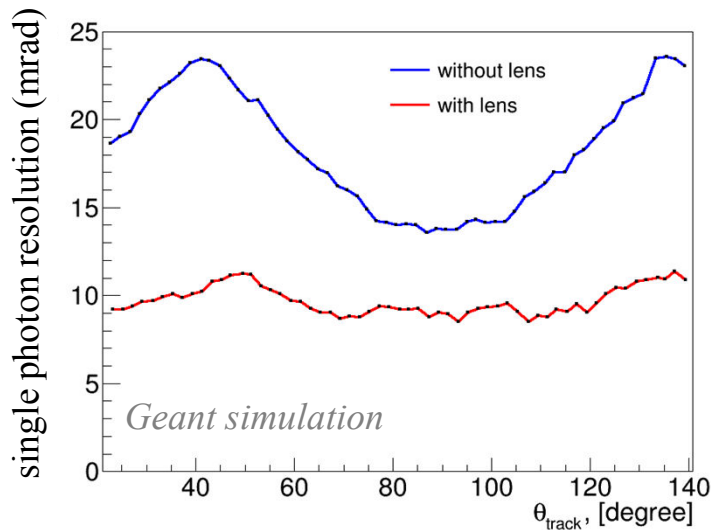
Tested prototype ( $\text{SiO}_2$ , NLAK33,  $\text{SiO}_2$ ) cyl. lens at CERN in 2012.

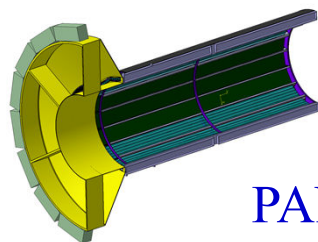
Simulation example: spherical lens ( $\text{SiO}_2$ ,  $\text{PbF}_2$ ,  $\text{SiO}_2$ ) → promising results.

But: exotic optical materials → polishability, UV transmission, radiation hardness, etc?

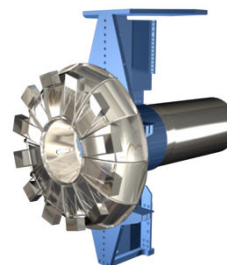


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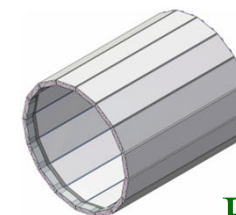




PANDA  
BARREL DIRC



BABAR  
DIRC



BELLE II  
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Radiator geometry	Narrow bars (32mm)	Narrow bars (35mm)	Wide plates (450mm)
Barrel radius	48cm	85cm	115cm
Bar length	240cm (2×120cm)	490cm (4×122.5cm)	250cm (2×125cm)
Number of long bars	80 (16×5 bars)	144 (12×12 bars)	16 (16×1 plates)
Expansion volume	30cm, mineral oil	110cm, ultrapure water	10cm, fused silica
Focusing	Lens system	None (pinhole)	Mirror
Photodetector	~15k MCP-PMT pixels	~11k PMTs	~8k MCP-PMT pixels
Timing resolution	~0.1ns	~1.5ns	<0.1ns
Pixel size	6.5mm×6.5mm	25mm diameter	3.2mm×3.2mm
PID goal	3 s.d. $\pi/K$ to 3.5 GeV/c	3 s.d. $\pi/K$ to 4 GeV/c	3 s.d. $\pi/K$ to 4 GeV/c
Timeline	Installation 2017	1999 - 2008	Installation 2015

Investigating several **design options**:

Segmented optical expansion volume, “**camera**”

one solid **fused silica prism** per sector instead of oil tank

→ **better optical and operational properties**,

good match to possible geometry with wide plates.

but: reflections in prism complicate reconstruction for

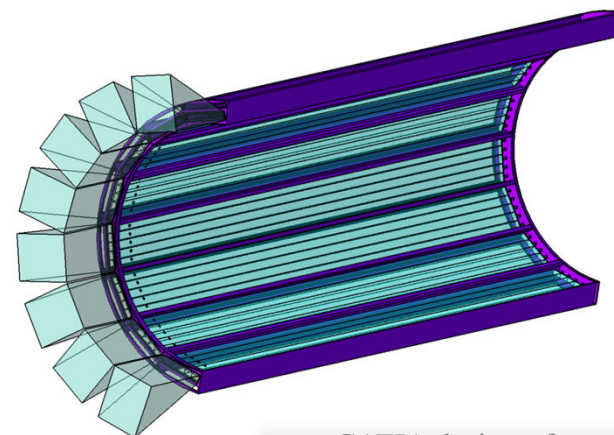
baseline design with narrow bars, add background.

**Purchased prototype prism** in 2012,

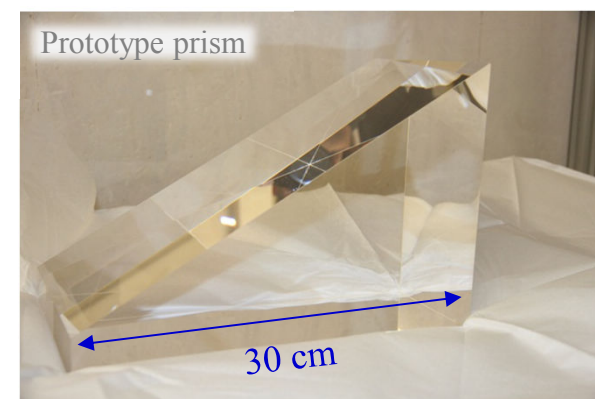
tested combination at CERN T9 test beam,

software development and data analysis ongoing,

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CATIA design of  
Barrel DIRC geometry with  
narrow bars and prisms



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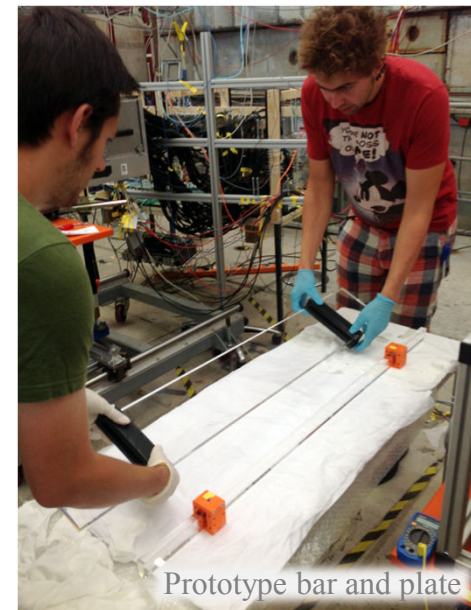
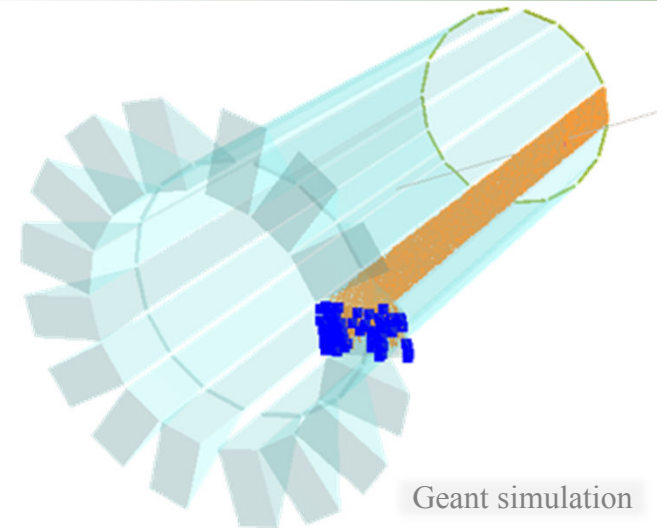
Use of one **wide fused silica plate** (16cm) per sector instead of 5 narrow (3.2cm) bars

Belle II iTOP is leading the way with plate fabrication, prototyping, and software development.

Smaller number of pieces would drastically reduce the radiator fabrication cost (1.5 – 2M€ savings possible).

Our Barrel DIRC would still be keep large number of pixels, more robust operation, timing less critical.

**Purchased prototype plate** and tested at CERN T9 test beam 2012, software development and data analysis ongoing, additional beam test in 2014 required for decision.



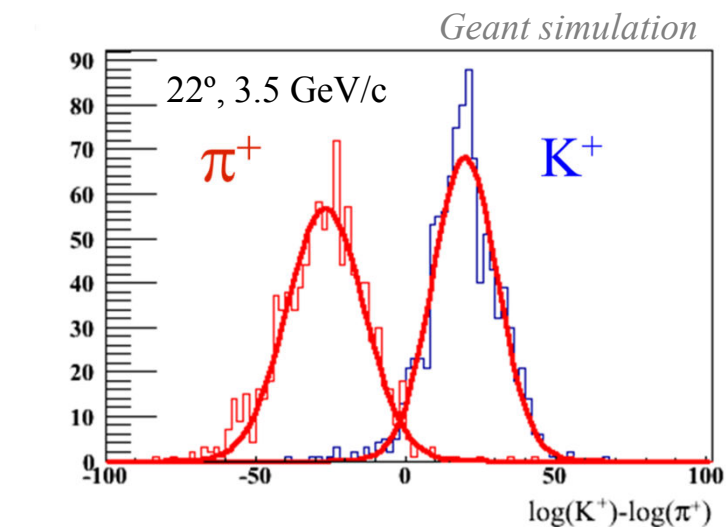
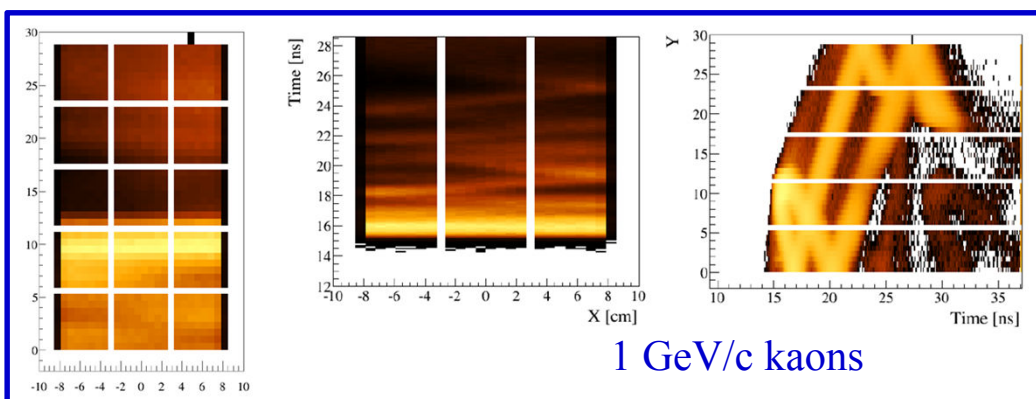
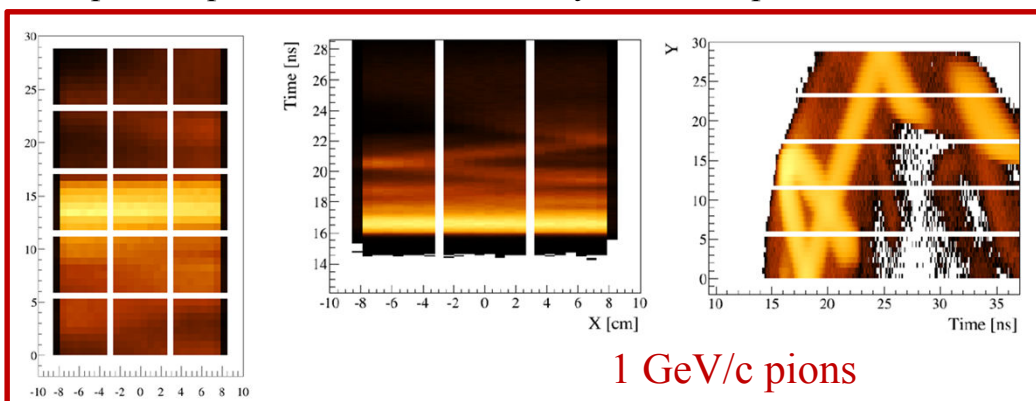
BABAR-like reconstruction no longer works, new approach required.

Promising initial results from a Belle II-like **time imaging** approach.

Generate probability density functions of photon hit time per pixel from simulation.

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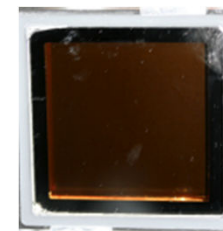
*Example: hit patterns in X/Y, X/T, T/Y for 1 GeV/c particles*



Log-likelihood analysis shows  
clean  $\pi/K$  separation at 3.5 GeV/c  
 even without focusing optics  
 More studies and analytic pdfs needed.

## Photon Detector Challenges

- Compact multi-pixel sensor with single photon sensitivity in 1T magnetic field.
- Few mm position resolution with  $\sim 100$ ps timing.
- High rates up to  $0.2 \text{ MHz/cm}^2$ , long lifetime:  $0.5 \text{ C/cm}^2$  per year at  $10^6$  gain.

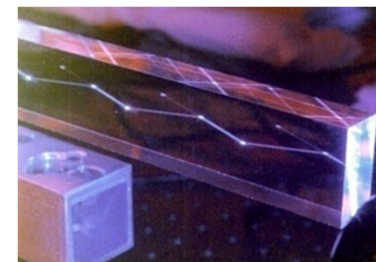


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A. Lehmann*

Recent lifetime advances make MCP-PMTs an excellent sensor candidate.

## Radiator Challenges

- Production of large fused silica bars or plates (lesson learned from BABAR).
- Require mechanical tolerances on flatness, squareness, and parallelism with optical finish and long sharp edges.  
→ difficult, potentially expensive, few qualified vendors worldwide.
- BABAR-DIRC used bars polished to  $5 \text{ \AA}$  rms, non-squareness  $< 0.25 \text{ mrad}$ ; successfully done for BABAR, need to qualify/retrain vendors 10+ years later.



Working with potential vendors in Europe and USA, obtained/ordered prototype bars and plates from several companies, verifying surfaces and angles.



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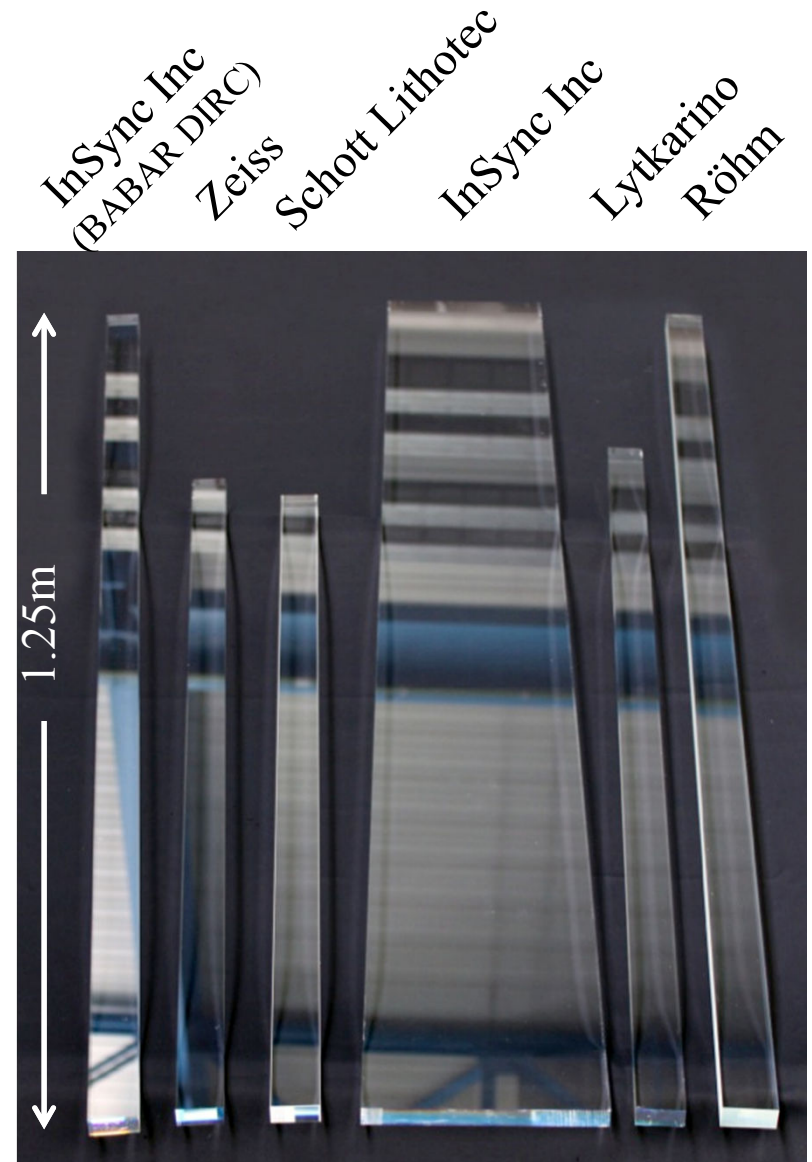
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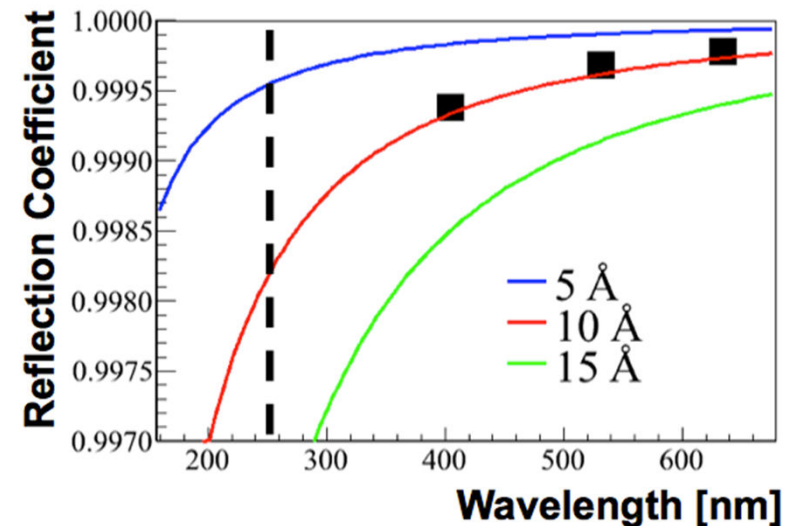
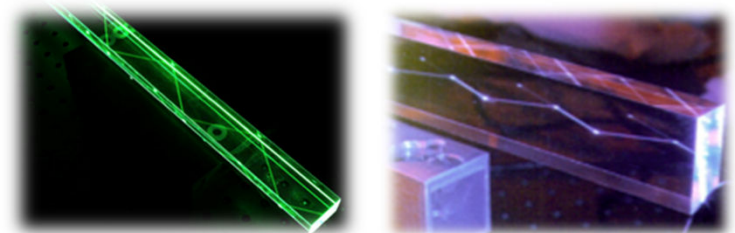
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First impression: InSync, Zeiss, Zygo all capable of producing high quality DIRC bars (angles, corners).

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## Electronics Challenges

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M. Traxler*

- **Signal rise time** typically few hundred picoseconds.
- 10-100x preamplifier usually needed.
- High bandwidth 500MHz – few GHz (optimum bandwidth not obvious).
- Pulse **height/charge information** required for  $< 100$  ps timing (time walk correction),  
and desirable for 100-200 ps timing (ADC / time over threshold / waveform sampling / ... )
- PANDA will run **trigger-less**.
- **Radiation hardness** may be an issue (FPGA).
- Large **data volume** (to disk: up to 200 Gb/s).
- Current approach:  
**HADES TRBv3** board with **amplifier/discriminator front-end card** mounted on MCP-PMT.  
 FEE cards developed at Mainz and at GSI.
- Verify electronics performance with fast **laser pulsers** and several dedicated **beam times** at MAMI B, X1.

HADES TRB2 w/ NINO

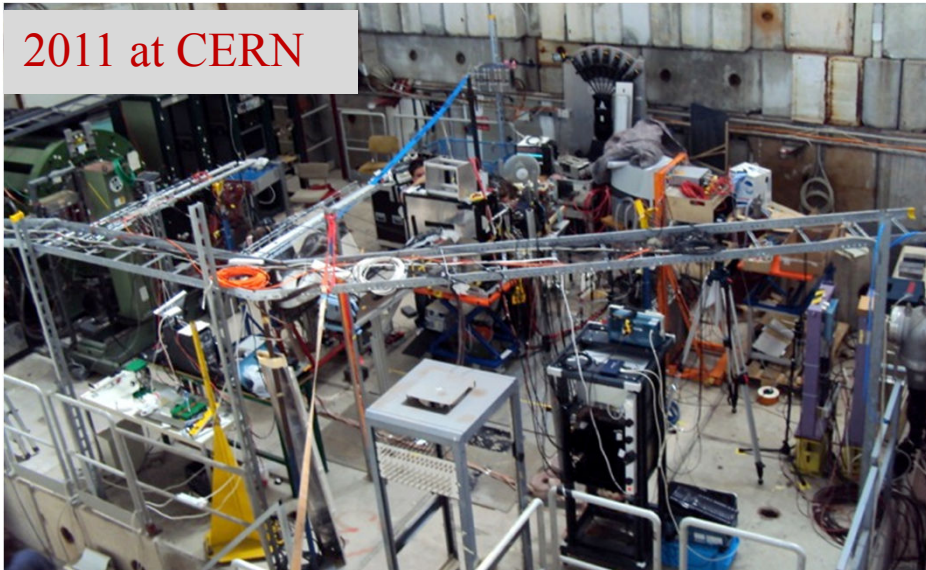


2009 at GSI

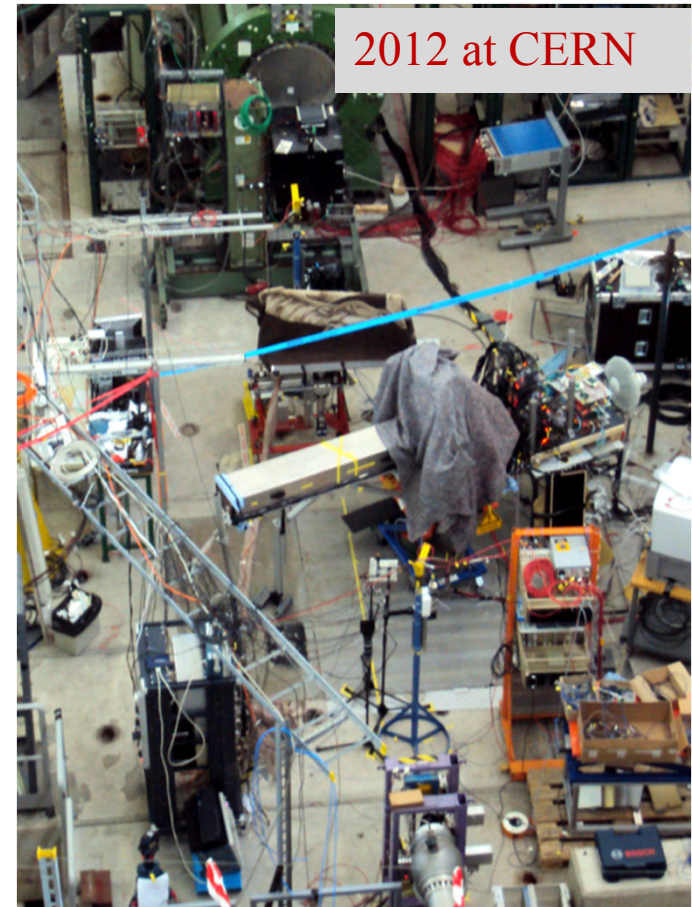


Barrel DIRC system prototype  
test beam campaigns

2011 at CERN



2012 at CERN



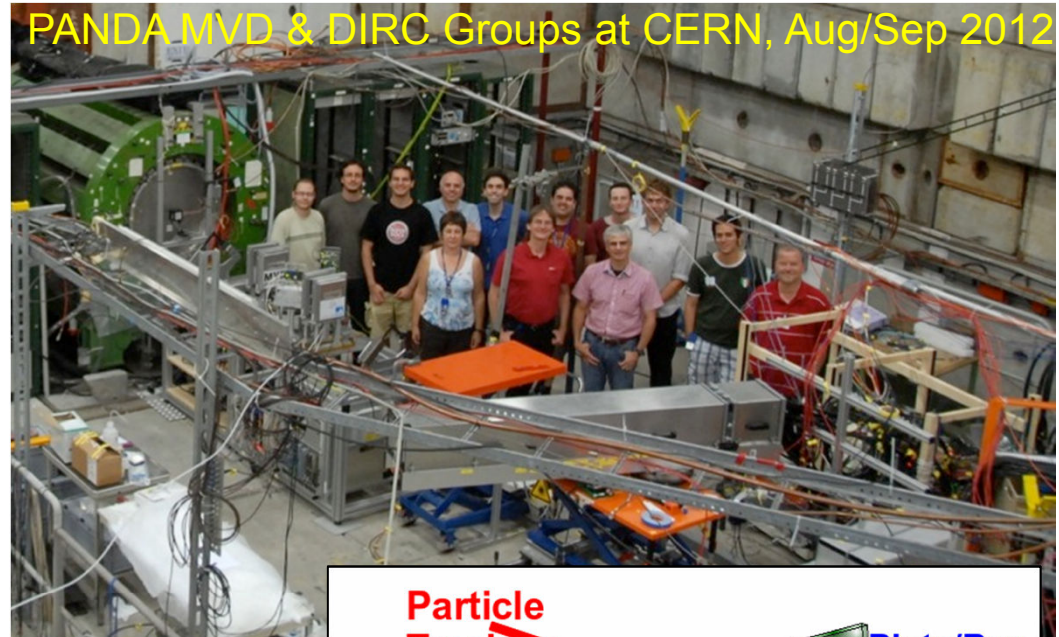
## 2012: $\pi/p$ beam at CERN PS

Compact **solid fused silica expansion volume** (prism) instead of oil tank.

Wide **fused silica plate** in addition to narrow bars.

Focal plane almost **fully covered** by array of 3x3 Photonis Planacon MCP-PMTs, 896 channel DAQ.

PANDA MVD & DIRC Groups at CERN, Aug/Sep 2012



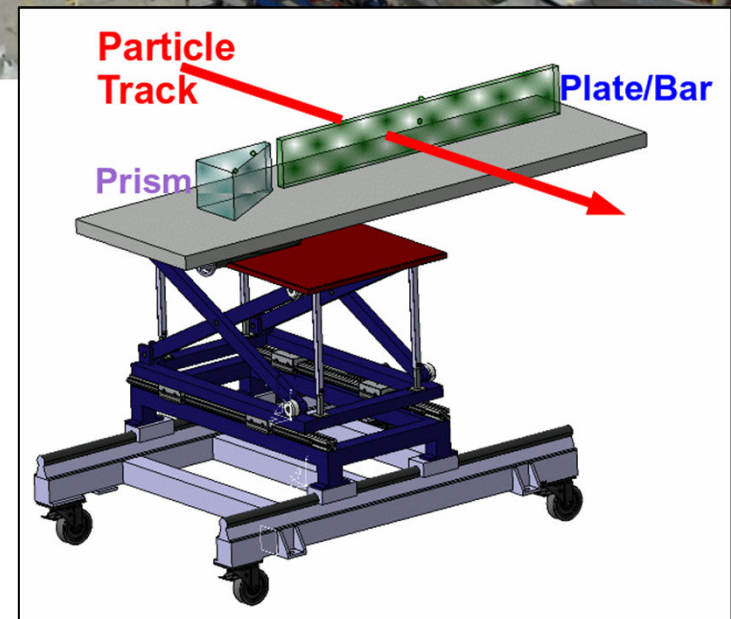
*Capability to position, rotate, exchange bars/plates easily to compare radiator performance in beam.*

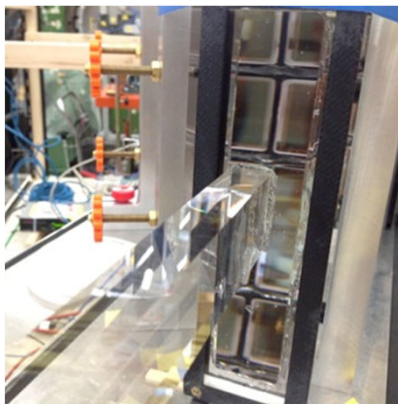
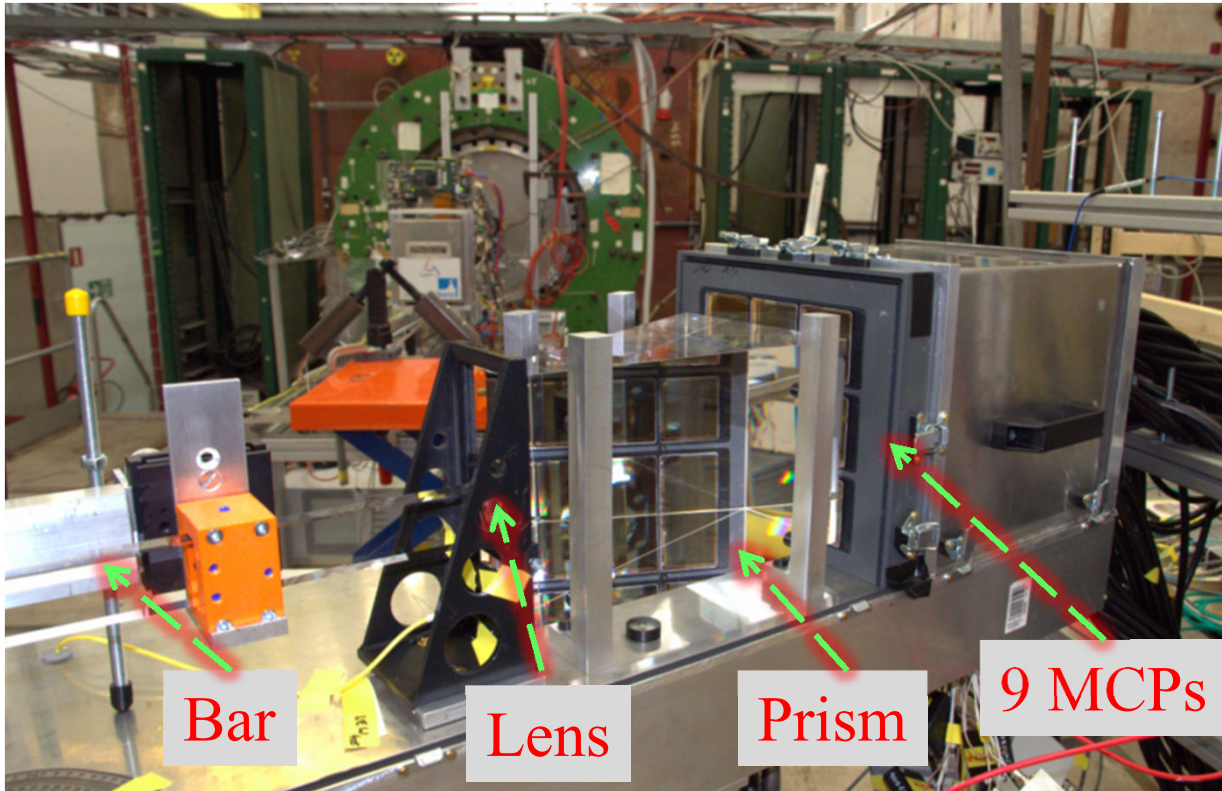
*Different lenses w/ and w/o air gap, A/R coatings.*

*Choice of coupling media between MCP/prism/radiator (matching liquid, optical grease, silicone sheet).*

*Tracking stations to define track direction to  $\sim 1$  mrad.*

*Time of flight system to enhance pion/proton sample.*





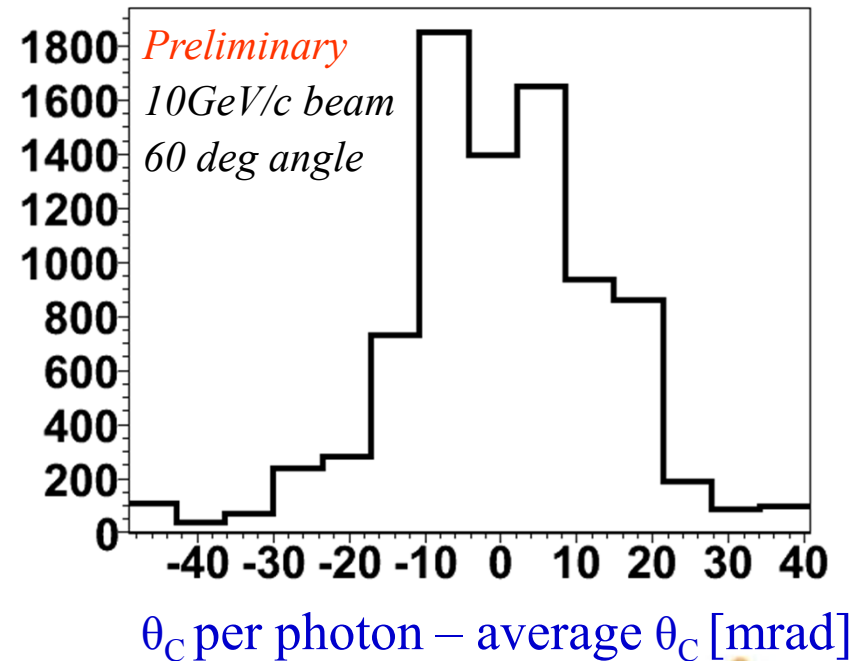
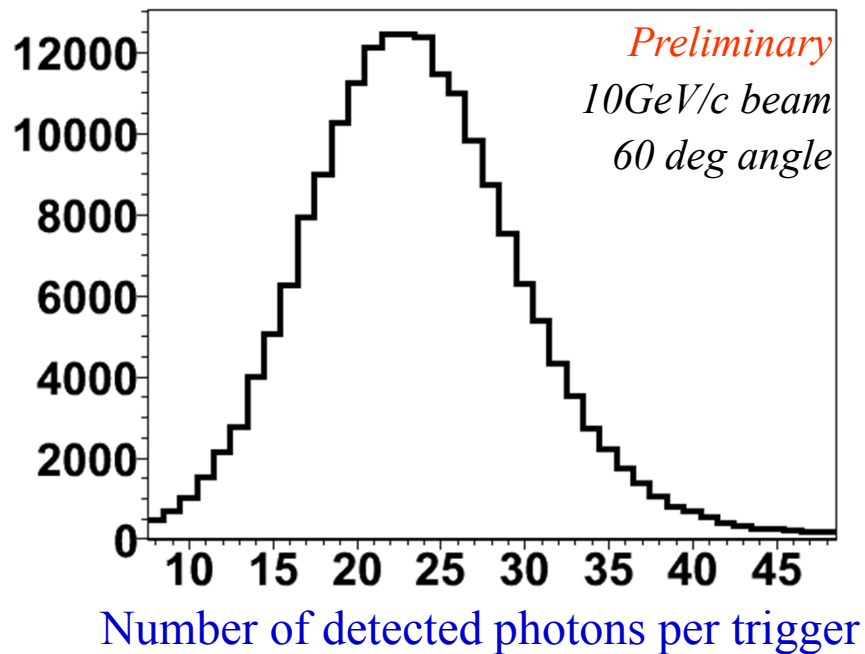
Detailed analysis of 2012 CERN data continuing, still preparing 3D tracking and improved timing/position calibration, plate reconstruction still in preparation.

*Preliminary performance example:*

InSync bar, spherical lens with UV A/R coating and 2.2mm air gap.

→ Clear Cherenkov signal with reasonable single photon resolution.

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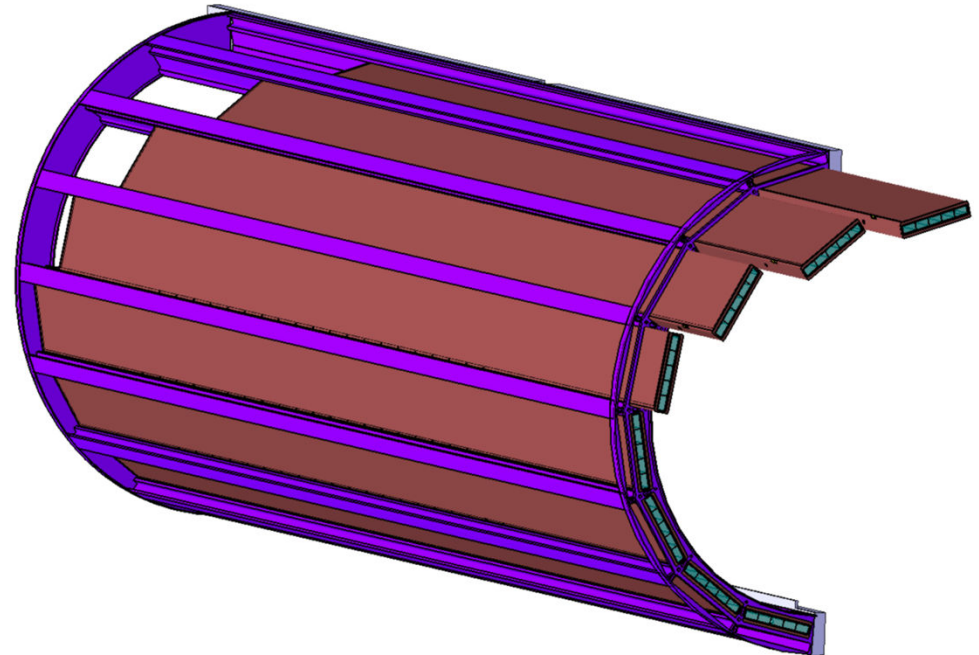


Mechanical design concept based on BABAR DIRC detector experience.

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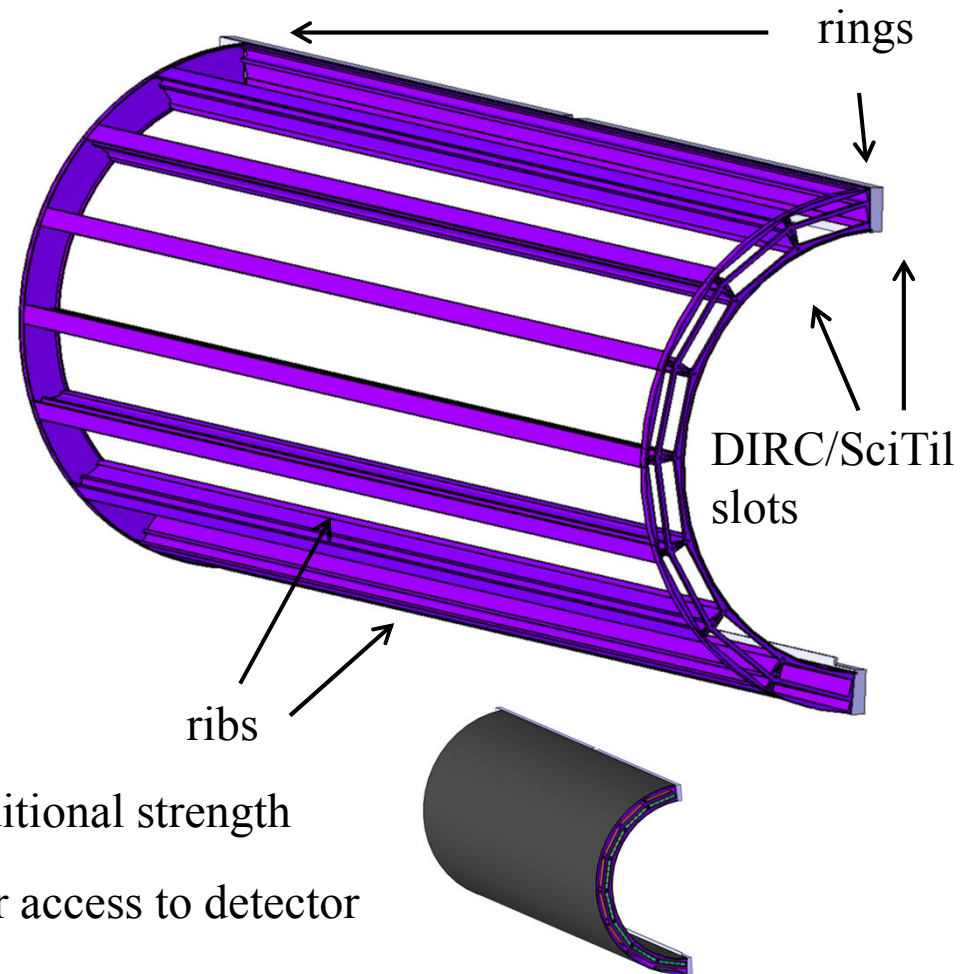


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The PANDA Barrel DIRC design evolved from scaled-down BABAR DIRC to a compact **fast focusing DIRC**.

Baseline design with narrow bars and high-n lens system appears to **meet PANDA PID goals**.

Recent lifetime advances make **MCP-PMTs** an excellent sensor choice.

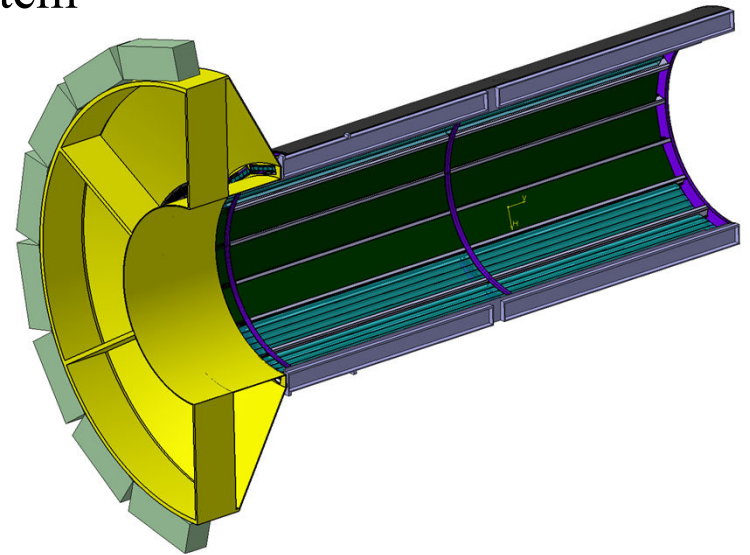
Ongoing prototype program has identified several potential vendors for **radiator fabrication**.

Decision on **wide radiator plates** and solid fused silica prisms as **Cherenkov cameras** due 2014.

Progression of increasingly **complex system prototypes** to validate design choices and PID performance using particle beams.

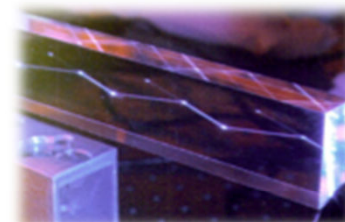
Leading edge technologies, benefit from delayed technology decision

→ **system still in R&D phase, Technical Design Report planned for late 2014.**



**2013-2014: Continue R&D, test designs in particle beams, write TDR.**

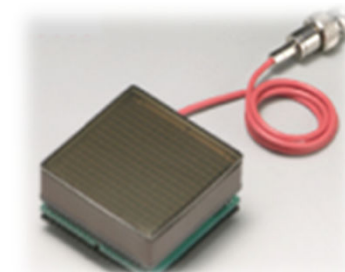
- Summer 2014: **beam tests** at GSI, basis for **design decisions and TDR**  
bars vs. plates, tank expansion volume vs. prisms



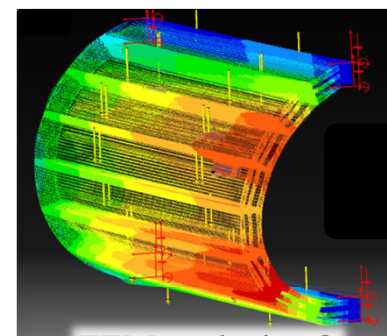
DIRC bar with laser

**2015-2017: Component Fabrication, Assembly, Installation**

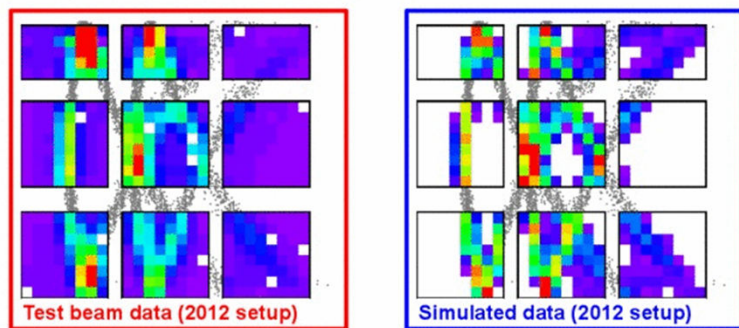
- 2015-2017: Industrial production of **radiators, prisms, photon sensors**.
- 2015-2016: Production and QA of **readout electronics**.
- 2016-2017: Fabrication of bar containers and **mechanical support frame**,  
gluing of bars, construction of **complete bar boxes**.
- 2016-2017: Detailed scans of all **sensors**, **assembly** of readout modules.
- 2017: **Installation** of mechanical support frame in PANDA  
insert bar boxes, mount readout modules.  
Ready for **commissioning** in 2018.



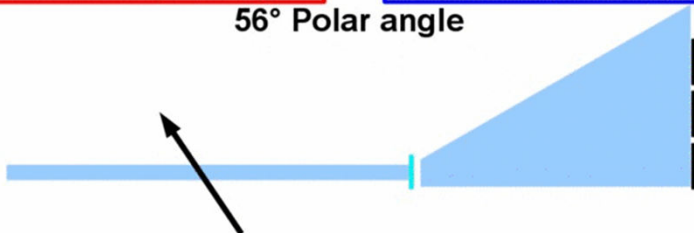
Photon sensor



FEM analysis of  
DIRC mechanics



56° Polar angle



Hit patterns for 2012 prototype with narrow bars and fused silica prism

Geant simulation of hit pattern for narrow bars and oil tank geometry

