

Development of a mirror supporting frame, mounting scheme and alignment monitoring system for the CBM RICH detector

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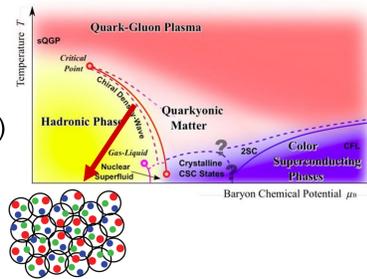
Compressed Baryonic Matter experiment at FAIR

Motivation

CBM at FAIR: Explore the QCD phase diagram in the region of high net-baryon density with A+A collisions at energies from 2 to 11 AGeV/c (SIS100)

Features of the phase diagram at high μ_B ?

- Quarkyonic phase?
- Phase transition(s)?
- Critical point/ triple point?
- **Need for high precision data including rare probes and among them di-electrons**



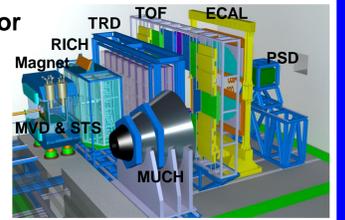
Concept of the CBM RICH Detector

Ring Imaging CHerenkov (RICH) detector

- Gaseous RICH for e- ID ($p < 8$ GeV/c)
- CO₂ as radiator gas ($p_{\pi,th} = 4.65$ GeV/c)

Mirrors and photon sensors

- 2 large spherical mirrors (R=3m) as focusing optics
- Hamamatsu H12700 Multi-Anode PMTs distributed over 2 cylindrical surfaces with approx. 64 000 channels
- Dedicated readout chain and electronics developed



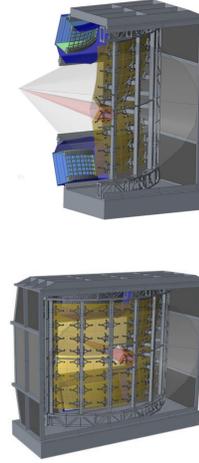
RICH Mirrors

Mirrors

- 80 trapezoidal glass mirror tiles of ~ 40x40 cm² and 6 mm thick distributed in 2 spheres
- Vertical splitting of RICH geometry due to magnet
- Al+MgF₂ reflective and protective coating

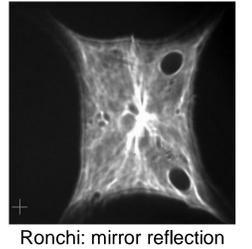
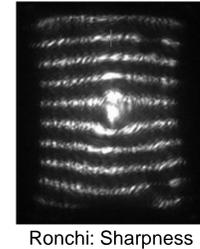
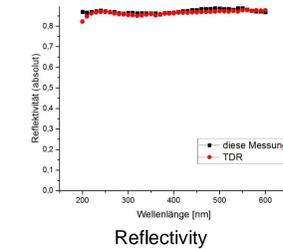
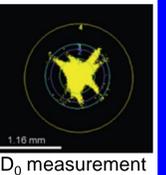
Challenges with respect to detector stability and mirror alignment

- RICH and MUCH detectors will be interchanged approx. once every year
- RICH craned out of the beam line to the MUCH parking position
- **Mechanical design and supporting structures** for rigid, low mass and stable detector and mirror system
- System developed to **monitor mirror alignment**



Mirror quality control

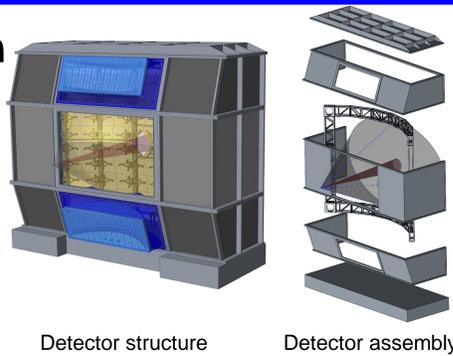
- High reflectivity and very good surface homogeneity
- Global control with D₀ measurement
 - Averaged on 4 mirrors: 1.19 mm at a radius of 2.22 mm larger than the mirrors radius of curvature
- Local homogeneity measurements
 - Shack Hartmann test: quantitative analysis ongoing
 - Ronchi test



Mechanical design

Detector supporting structure

- Reduce the material budget
- Mechanically rigid and stable
- frame
- Made of Al for lightweight
- structure

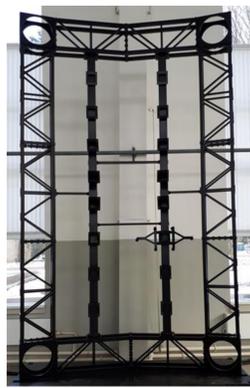


Mirror supporting frame

- 1 pillar supporting 2 mirror columns
- 1 mirror frame supporting 2 mirrors
 - Prototypes produced
 - Deformation response with load and temperature
- Glue tests for RTV-157 and 24 hour epoxy



Mirror frame



Pillar prototype



Weight test



Mirror frame



Glue stability test: 15 months without problems



Mirror mounting and gluing scheme

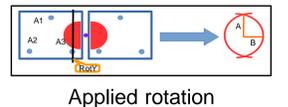
Mirror alignment monitoring system

Two methods adapted from COMPASS* and HERA-B# to qualitatively and quantitatively determine mirror rotations

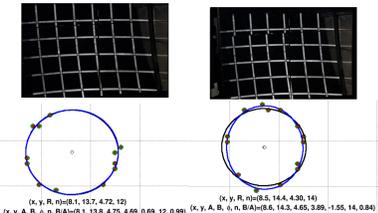
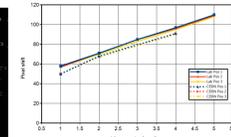
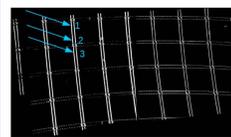
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CLAM method

- Qualitative alignment control
- Quantitative mirror rotation determination
- Successfully implemented in CBM-RICH prototype at CERN



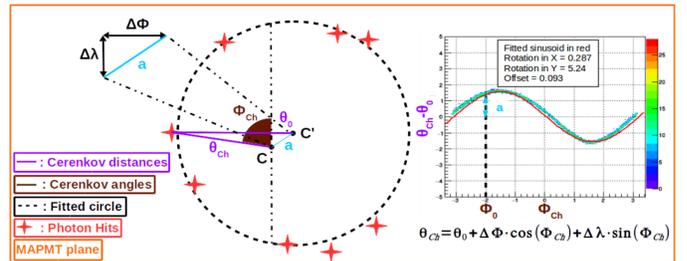
Applied rotation



CLAM pictures and reconstructed rings

Software corrections

- Uses data to quantify mirror rotations
- Range: [0.2; 10.5 mrad]



Mirror correction cycle

- Detection and quantification with CLAM and software
- Correct track extrapolation to PMT plane
- Efficiencies (ring-track matching and RICH ID) and ring-track distances compared before and after corrections for a 1 mrad Gaussian misalignment
- Performances after corrections are close to ideal alignment

