



Status of the Forward RICH R&D

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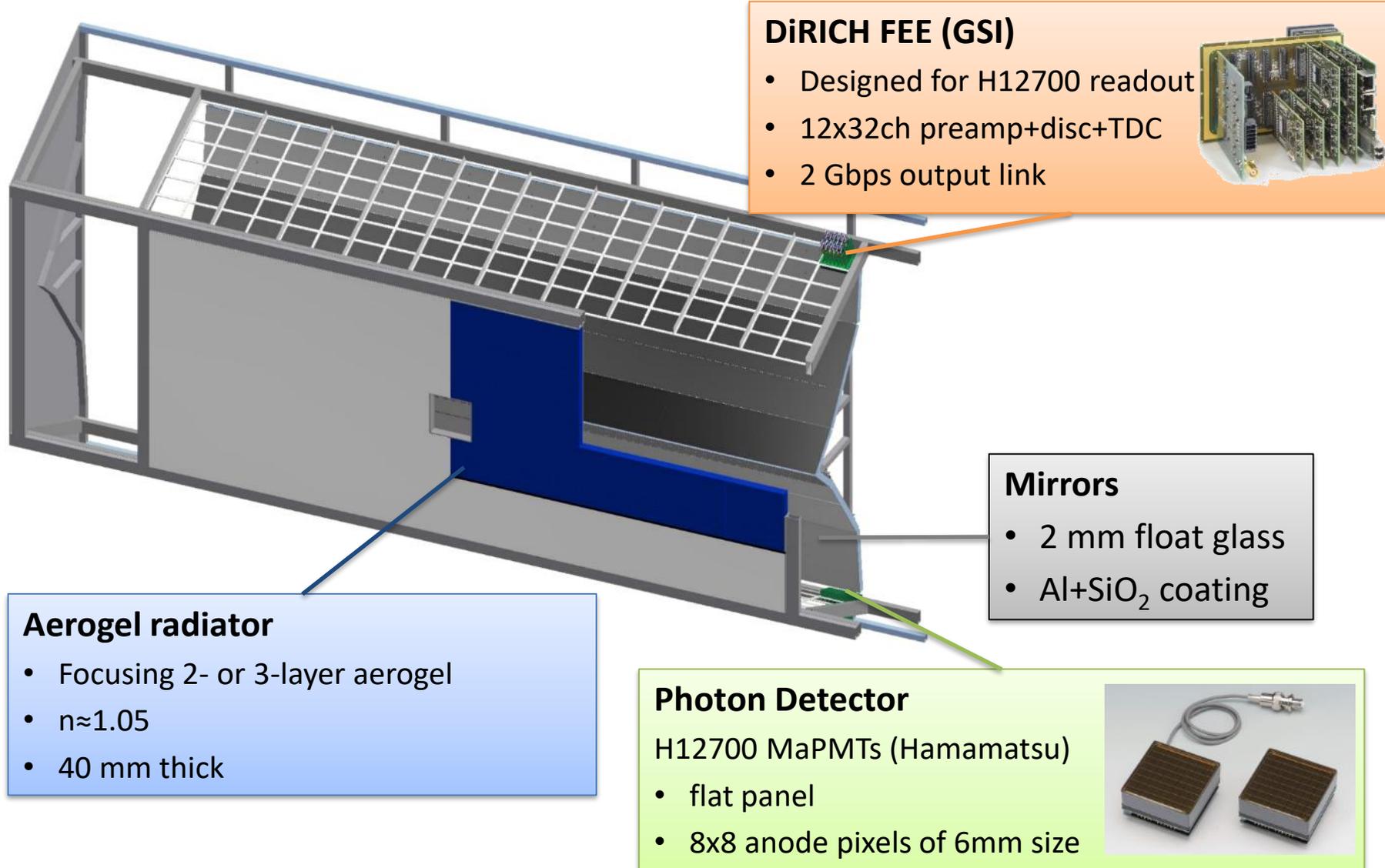
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Baseline design



DiRICH FEE (GSI)

- Designed for H12700 readout
- 12x32ch preamp+disc+TDC
- 2 Gbps output link



Aerogel radiator

- Focusing 2- or 3-layer aerogel
- $n \approx 1.05$
- 40 mm thick

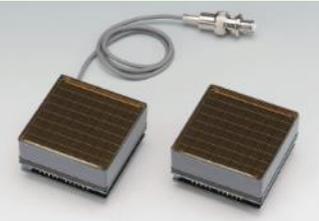
Mirrors

- 2 mm float glass
- Al+SiO₂ coating

Photon Detector

H12700 MaPMTs (Hamamatsu)

- flat panel
- 8x8 anode pixels of 6mm size

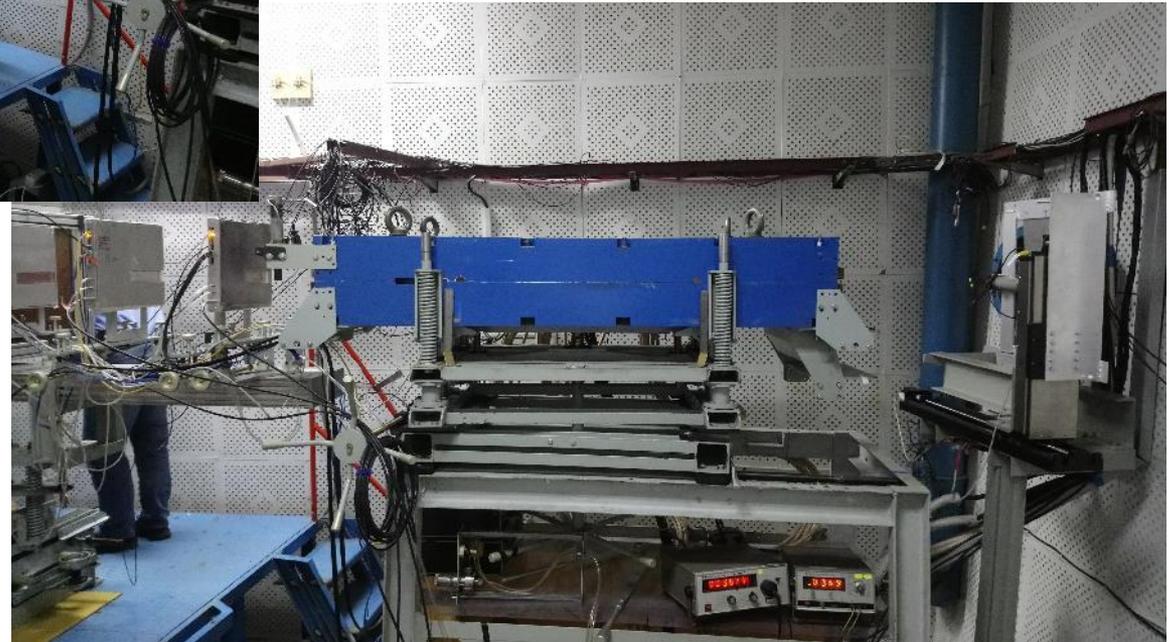


Test beam in June 2019

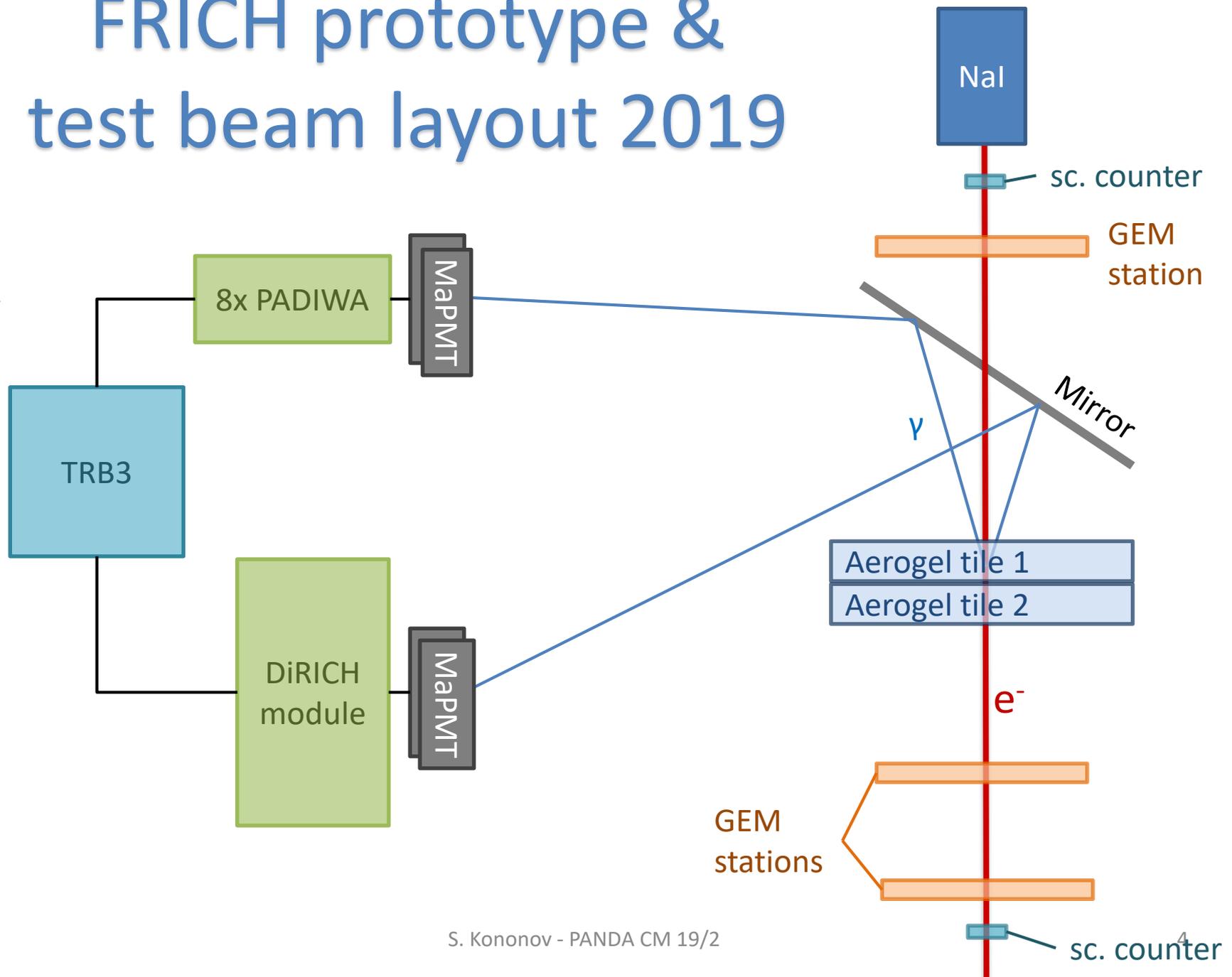


Electron and gamma test beam facility at BINP VEPP-4M accelerator

- 3 GeV electrons
- 2 scintillation counters for triggering
- 3 GEM tracker stations with 70-200 μm resolution
- NaI calorimeter



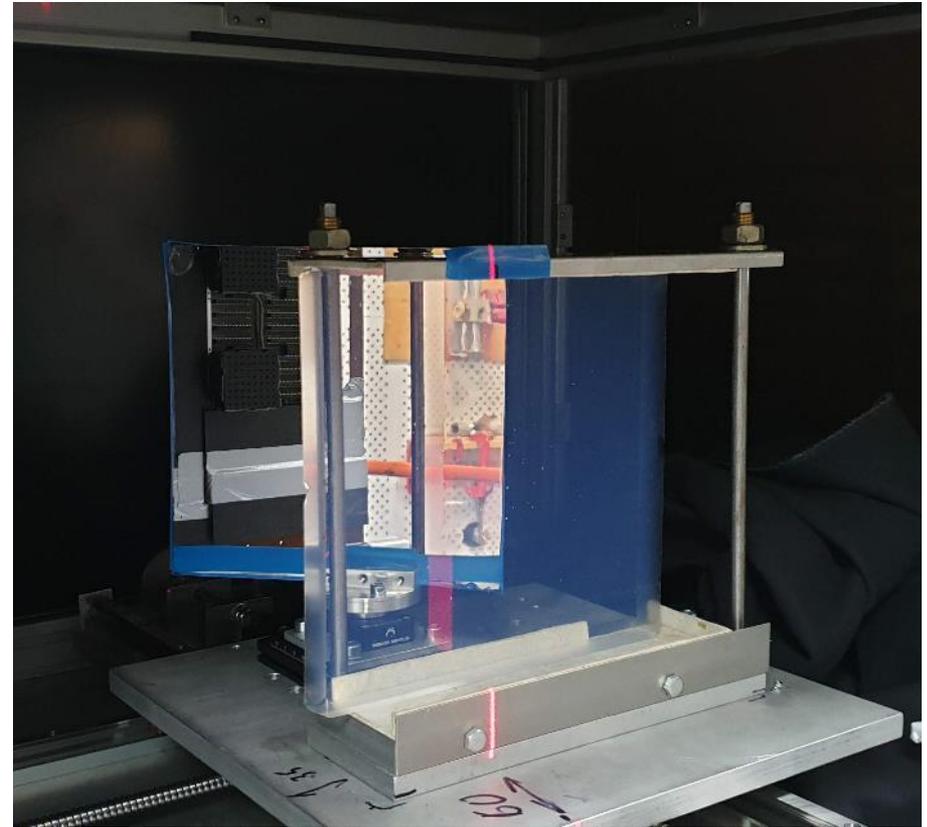
FRICH prototype & test beam layout 2019



FRICH prototype with DiRICH&PADIWA&TRB3 readout in 2019



4 MaPMTs readout in half by PADIWA and DiRICH. 256 channels in total.



Aerogel sample with a flat mirror installed at 45° w.r.t. the PD and aerogel.

Aerogels tested for PANDA FRICH test beam 2019

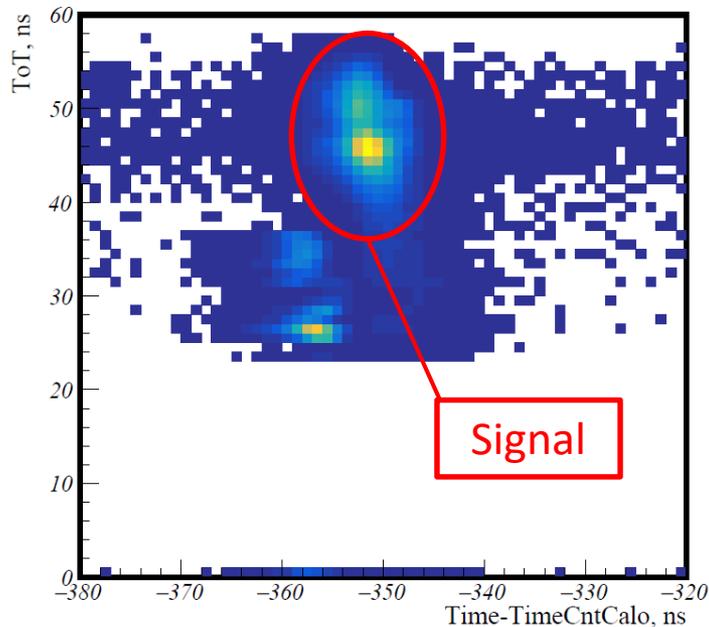
| N | Configuration | Ref. index | Thickness |
|----------|----------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 1 | Focusing 2 layers | 1.0526+1.0500 | 2 cm + 2 cm |
| 2 | Focusing 2 layers | 1.0538+1.0511 | 2 cm + 2 cm |
| 3 | Single layer | 1.0526 | 2 cm |
| 4 | Single layer | 1.0538 | 2 cm |

Distance from the aerogel to the PD in air – 56 cm
which is typical for PANDA FRICH

Time and ToT vs channel test beam 2019

Timing is measured w.r.t. a scint. counter (~few ns resolution)

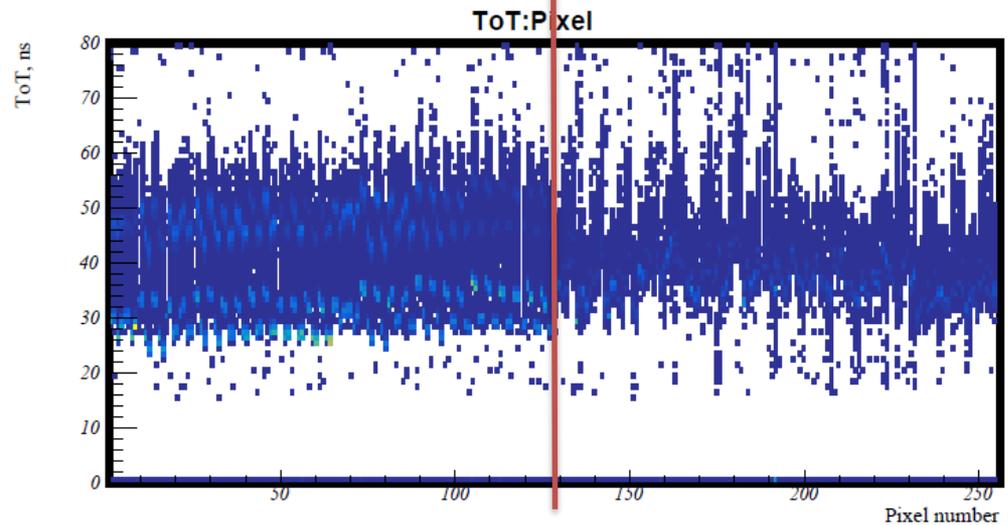
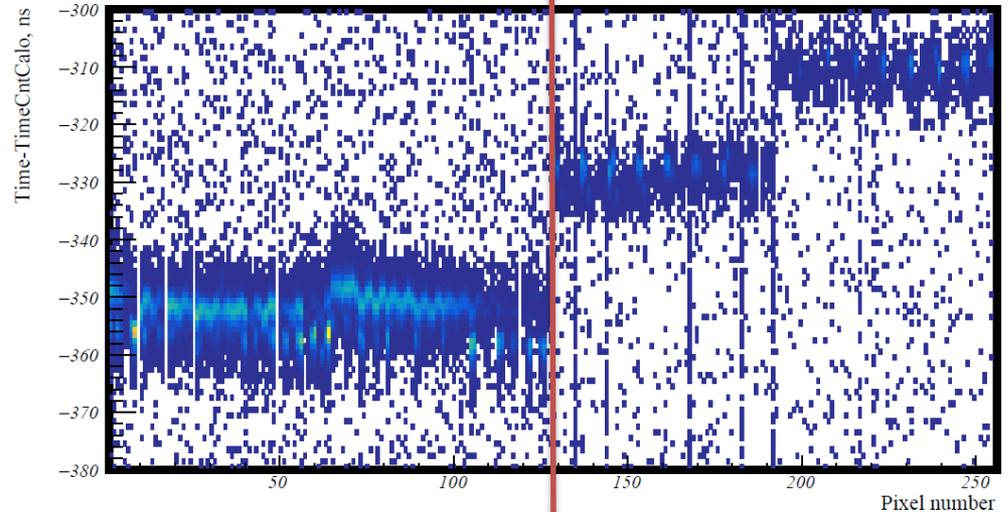
ToT vs Timing for DiRICH channels



DiRICH half

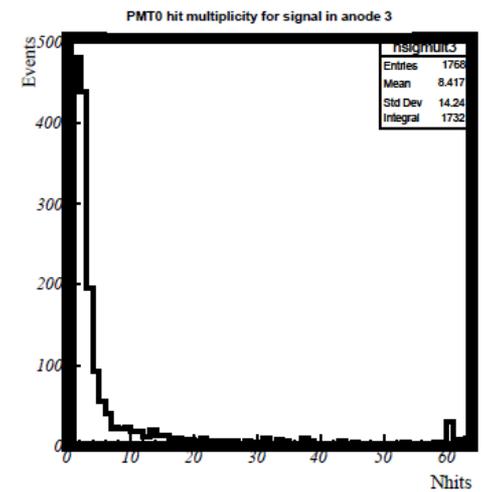
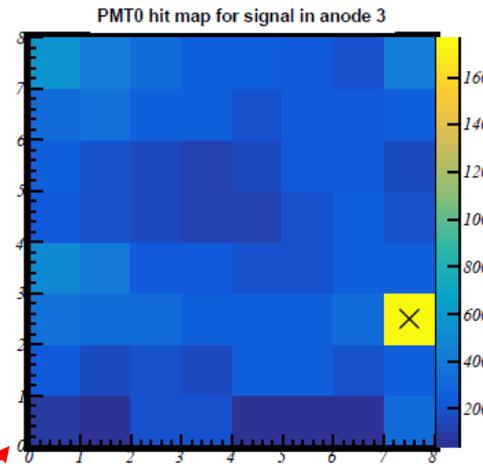
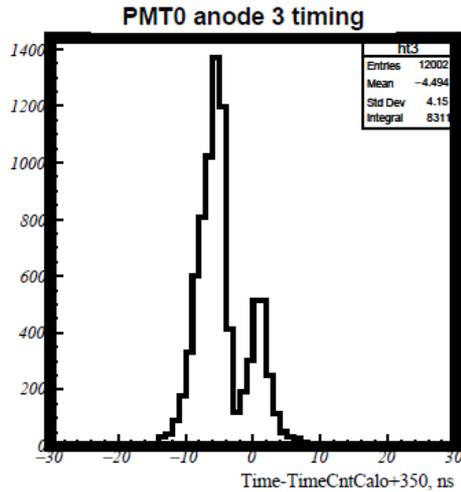
PADIWA half

t:Pixel {ToT>10}

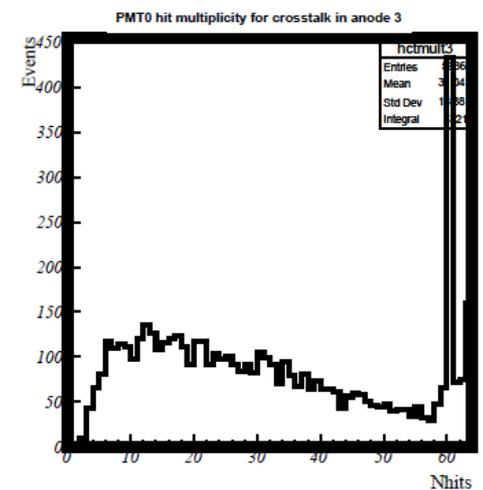
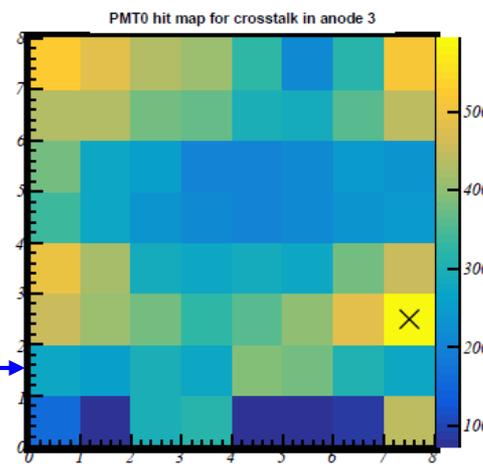
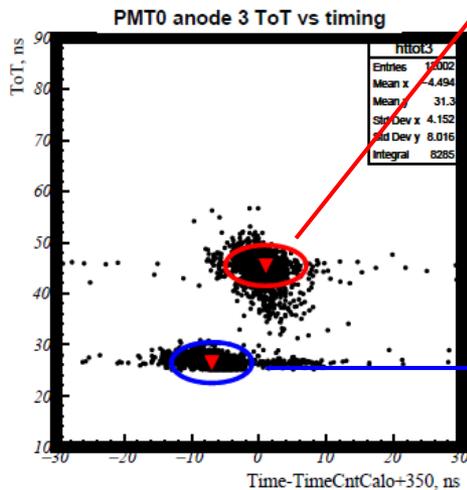


Cross talk issue in 2019

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coming
later in time
and have
higher ToT

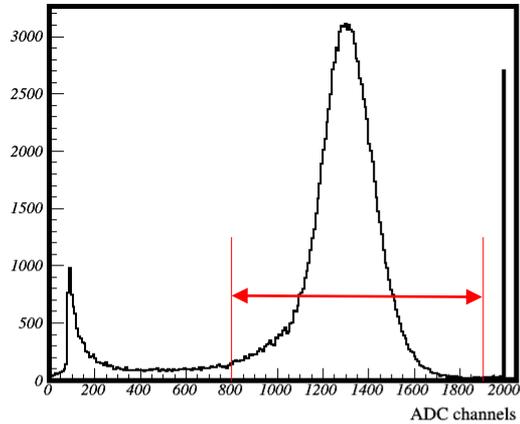


Crosstalk
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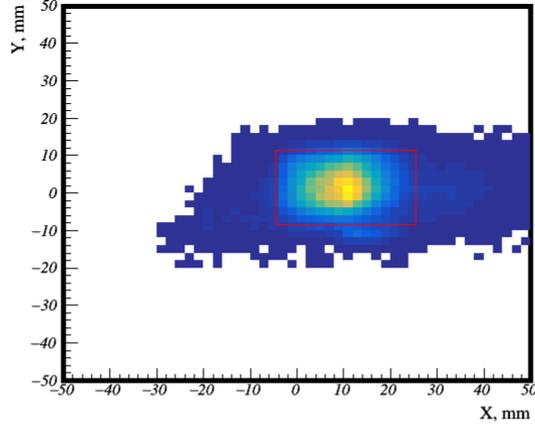


Event and hit selection test beam 2019

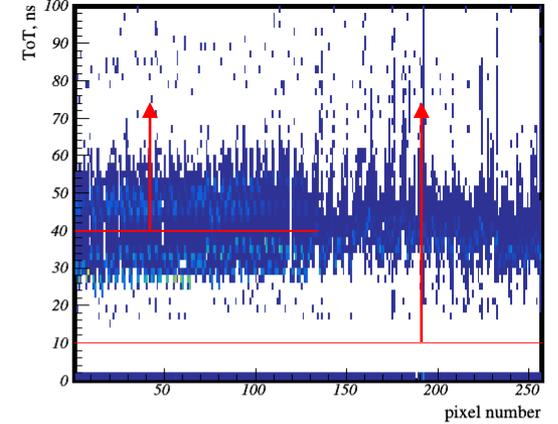
Nal amplitude



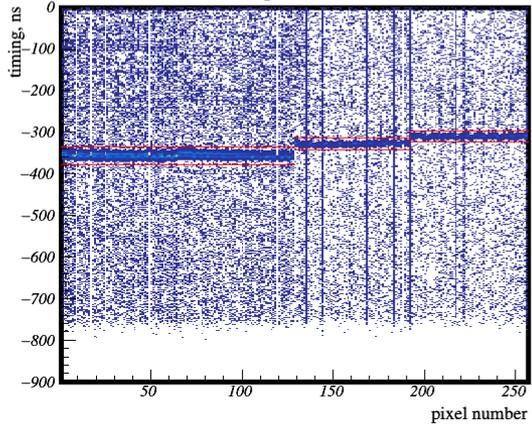
Track XY position by GEMs at PD



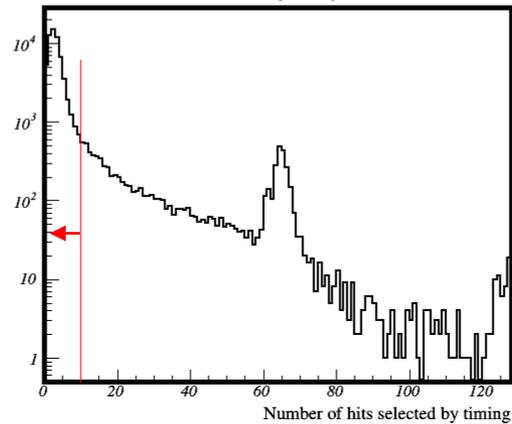
Time-over-threshold vs Pixel



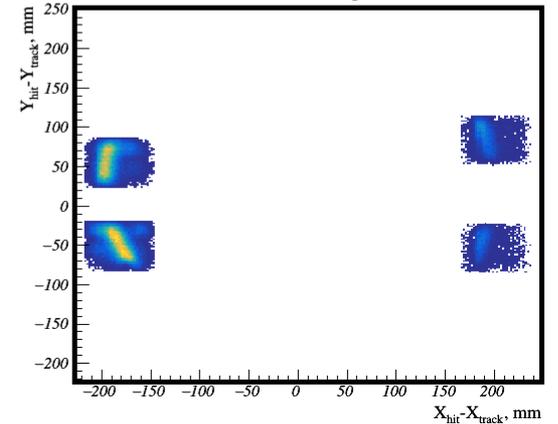
Timing vs Pixel



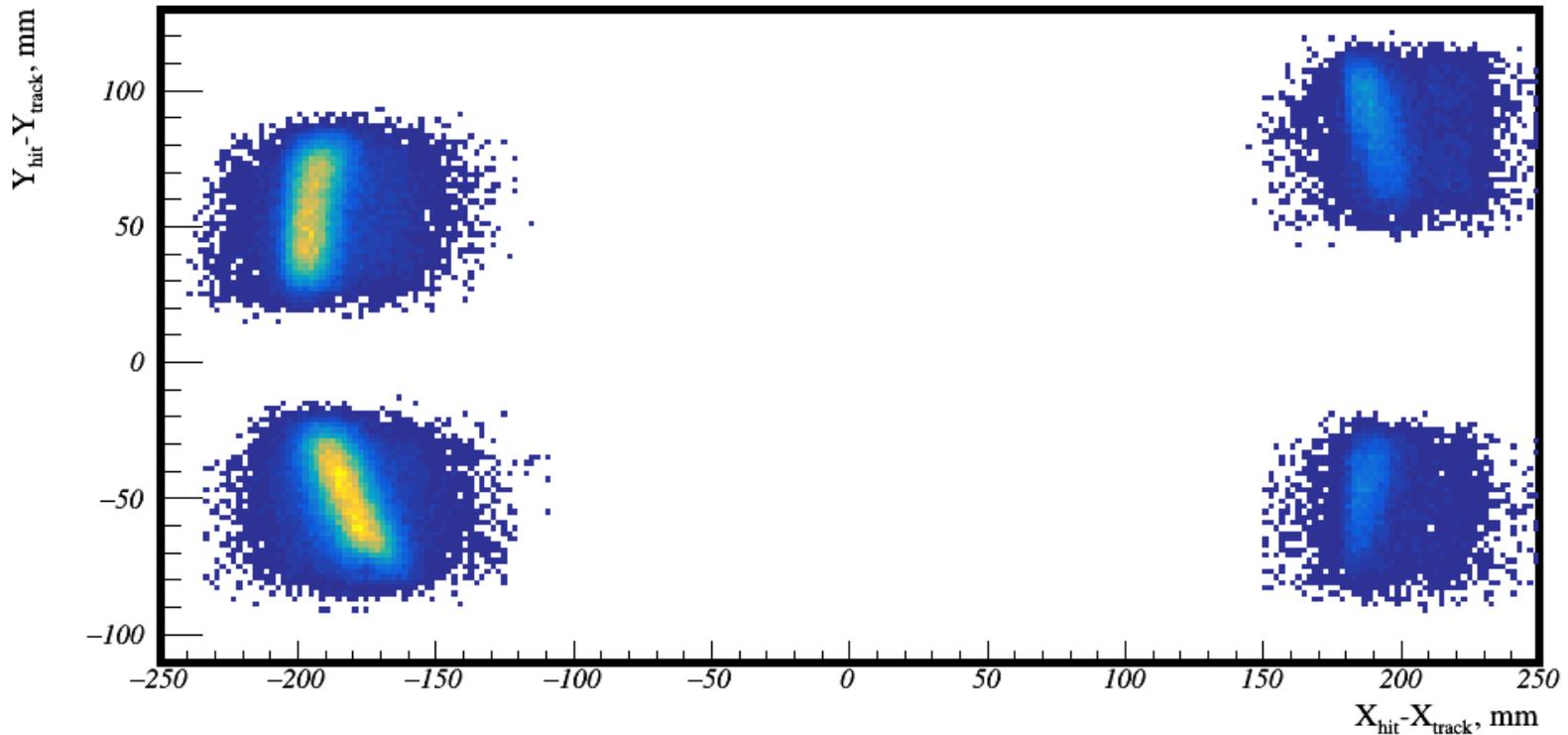
Hit multiplicity



FARICH ring



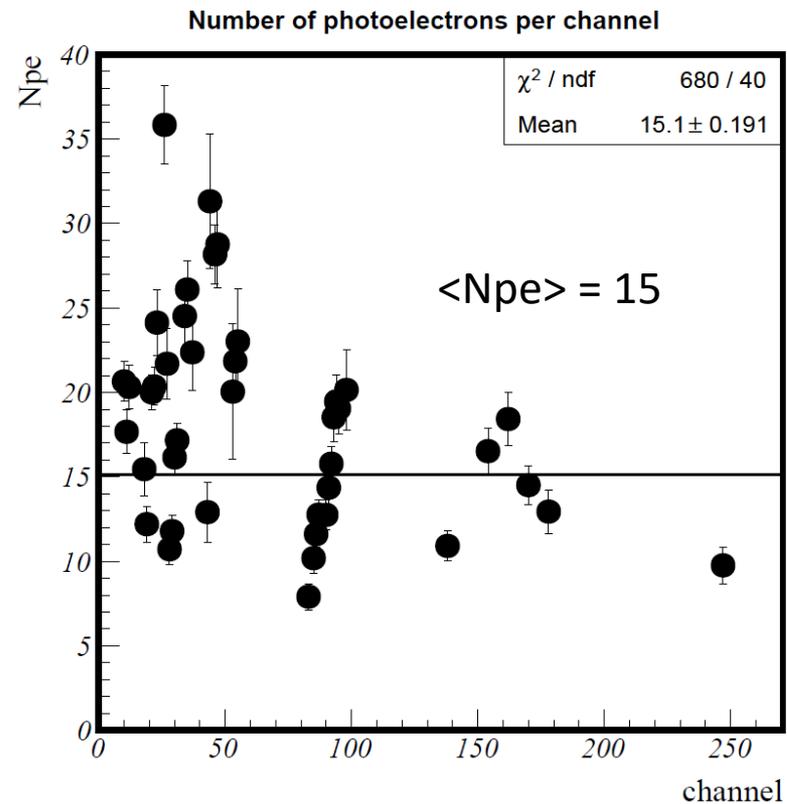
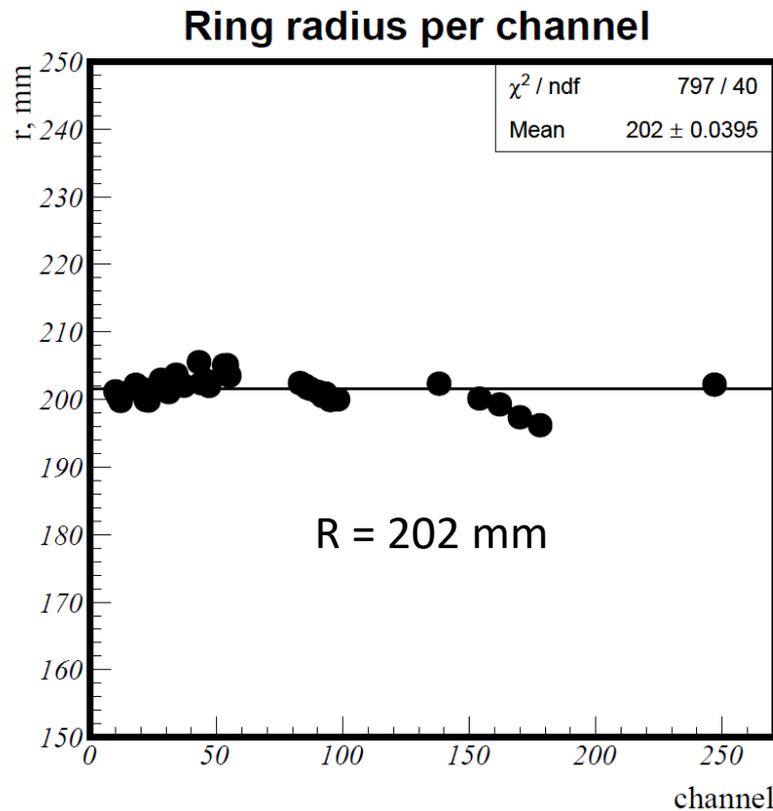
Track adjusted hit map – Cherenkov ring test beam 2019



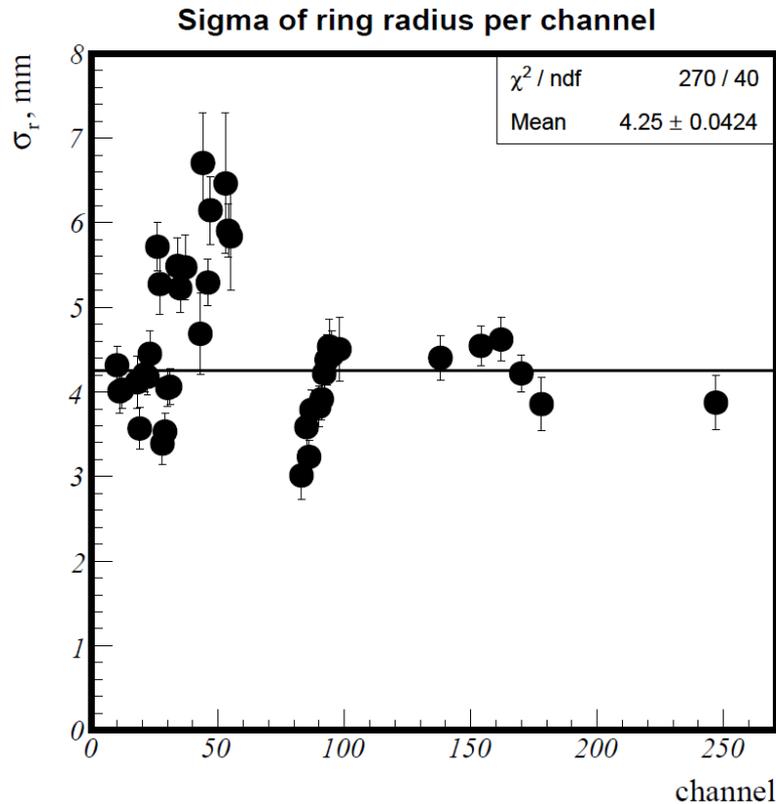
Cleaner picture for more fine ToT hit selection

Preliminary 2019 test beam results (1)

1-st layer: $n=1.0526$, $t=2\text{cm}$
2-nd layer: $n=1.0500$, $t=2\text{cm}$



Preliminary 2019 test beam results (2)



Radiator configuration:

1-st layer: $n=1.0526$, $t=2\text{cm}$

2-nd layer: $n=1.0500$, $t=2\text{cm}$

| Parameter | Test beam 2019 | Calculation |
|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| N _{pe} | 15 (7–35) | 46 |
| R, mm | 202 | 199 |
| $\sigma_{R, 1pe}$, mm | 4.3 (3–6.5) | 3.1 |

Difference in SPR may be due to tracking resolution, multiple scattering, anode charge sharing, aerogel inhomogeneity

Conclusion & outlook

- Forward RICH prototype with 4 MaPMTs and DiRICH & PADIWA & TRB3 readout was assembled and tested on the electron test beam at BINP in June 2019
- Data collected for 4 aerogel radiator configurations
- Npe, SPR obtained for one 2-layer aerogel radiator
- 2.5 difference in terms of the track Cherenkov angle resolution.
- Test beam 2019 analysis is in progress