

LONG TERM EXPERIENCE AND PERFORMANCE OF COMPASS RICH-1

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COMPASS RICH-1

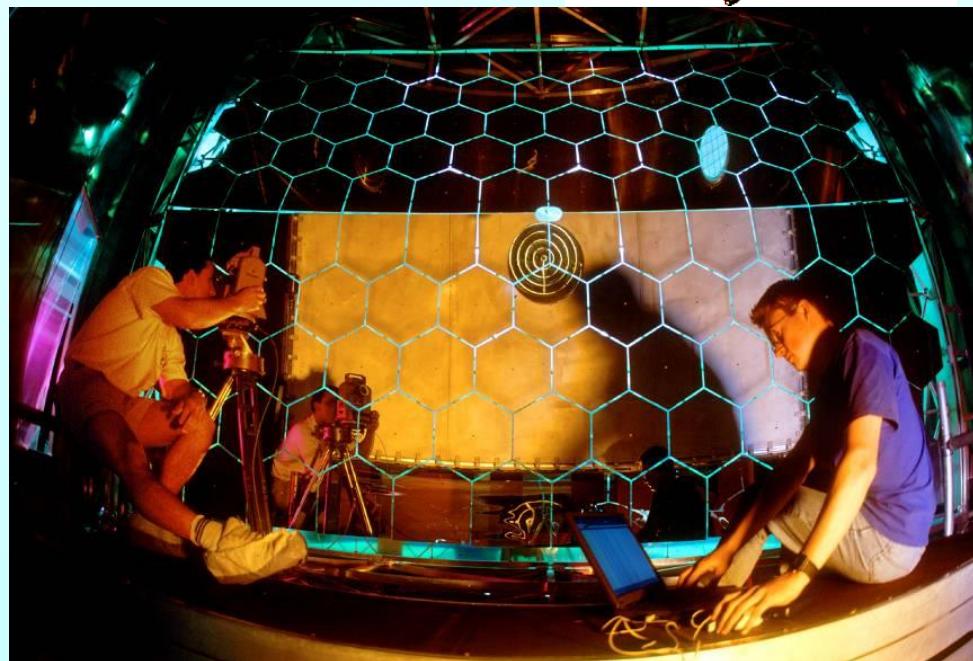
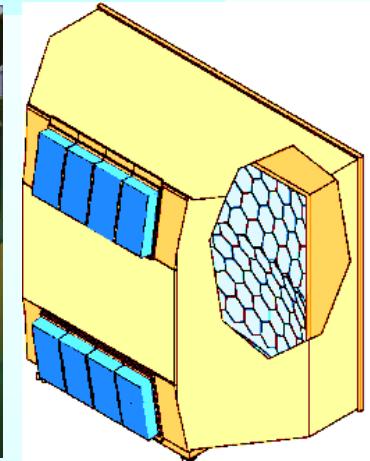
Vessel, radiator gas and mirror system

MWPC's with CsI photocathodes

The MAPMT based detectors

PID Performances of COMPASS RICH-1

The upgrade with MPGD-based PDs

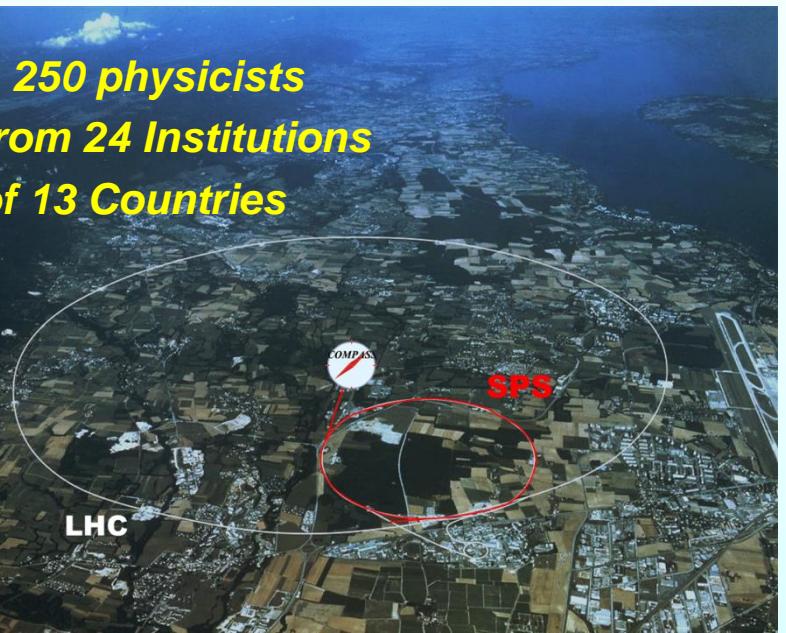




COMPASS II Collaboration



~ 250 physicists
from 24 Institutions
of 13 Countries



Experiments with muon beam:

COMPASS - I (2002 – 2011)

Spin structure, Gluon polarization

Flavor decomposition

Transversity

Transverse Momentum-dependent PDF

DVCS and HEMP

Unpolarized SIDIS and TMDs



Дубна (LPP and LNP),
Москва (INR, LPI, State
University), Протвино



Warsawa (NCBJ),
Warsawa (TU)
Warsawa (U)



Praha (CU/CTU)
Liberec (TU)
Brno (ISI-ASCR)



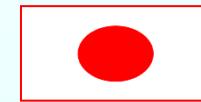
Calcutta (Matriviani)



Taipei (AS)



CERN



Yamagata



Lisboa/Aveiro



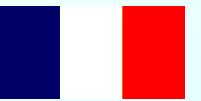
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Bochum,
Bonn (ISKP
& PI), Erlangen, Freiburg,
Mainz, München TU



USA (UIUC)



Saclay



Torino (University, INFN),
Trieste (University, INFN)

Experiments with hadron beams:

Pion polarizability

Diffractive and Central production

Light meson spectroscopy

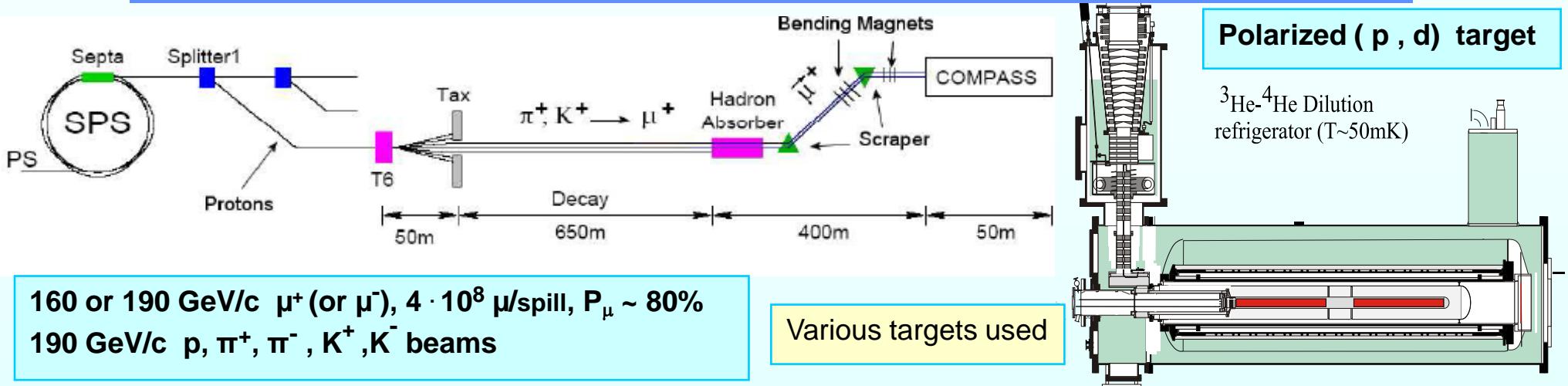
Baryon spectroscopy

Pion and Kaon polarizabilities

Drell-Yan studies



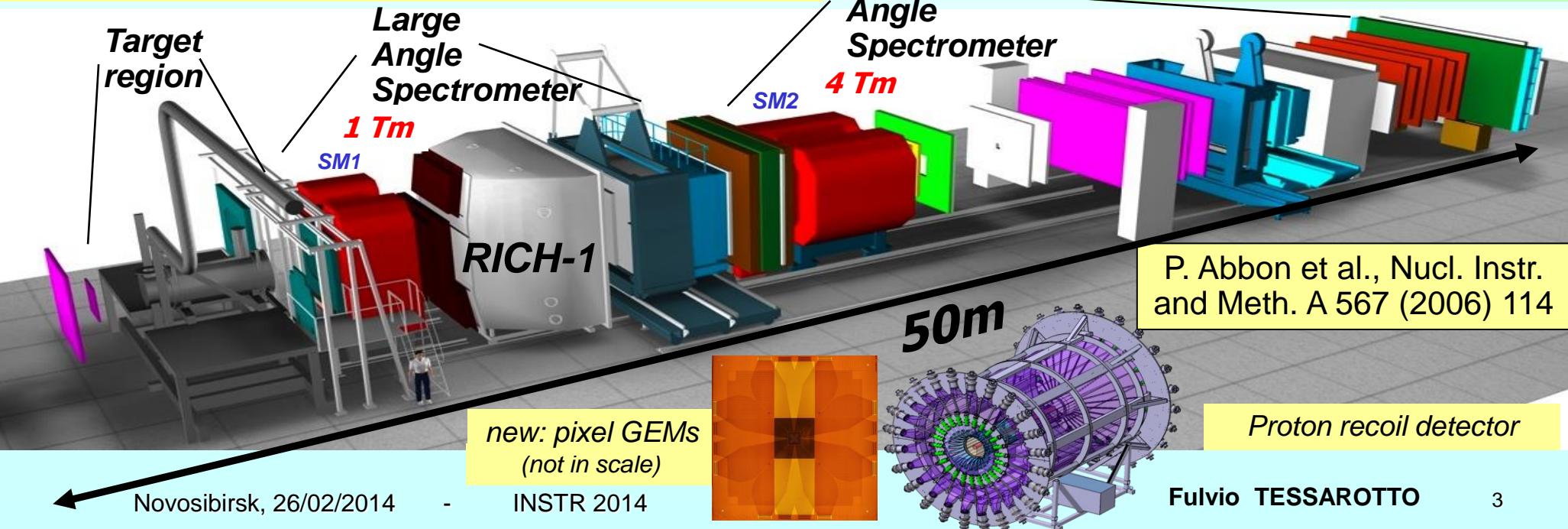
BEAM, TARGET AND SPECTROMETER



first GEMs and Micromegas used in a HEP Experiment

Small Angle Spectrometer
4 Tm

DAQ: 40 kB, 30 kHz, O(PB)



is a large gaseous RICH
with two kind of photon detectors
providing:

hadron PID from 3 to 60 GeV/c
acceptance: H: 500 mrad V: 400 mrad

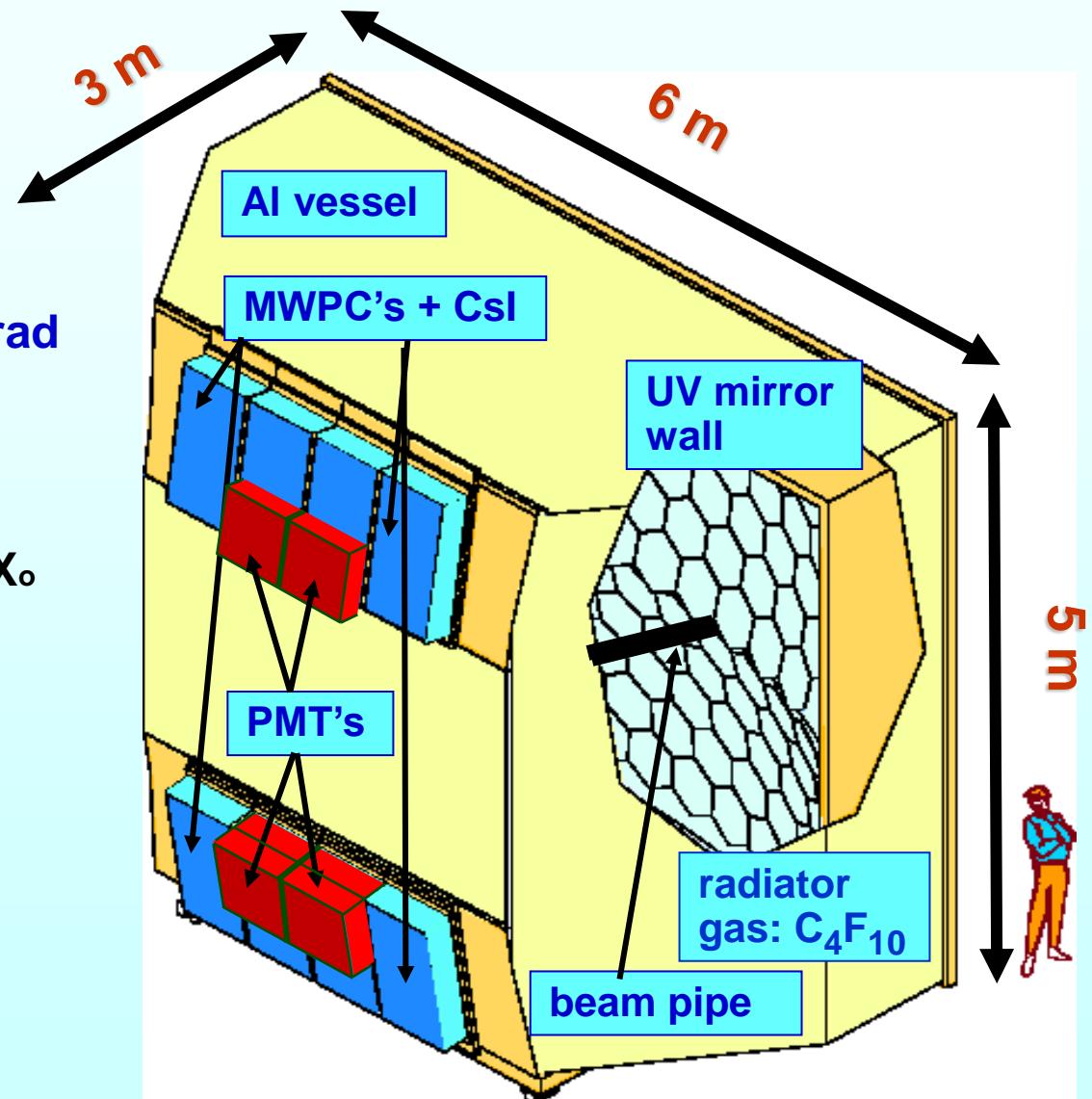
trigger rates: up to ~50 KHz
beam rates up to $\sim 10^8$ Hz

material in the beam region: 1.2% X_0
material in the acceptance: 22% X_0

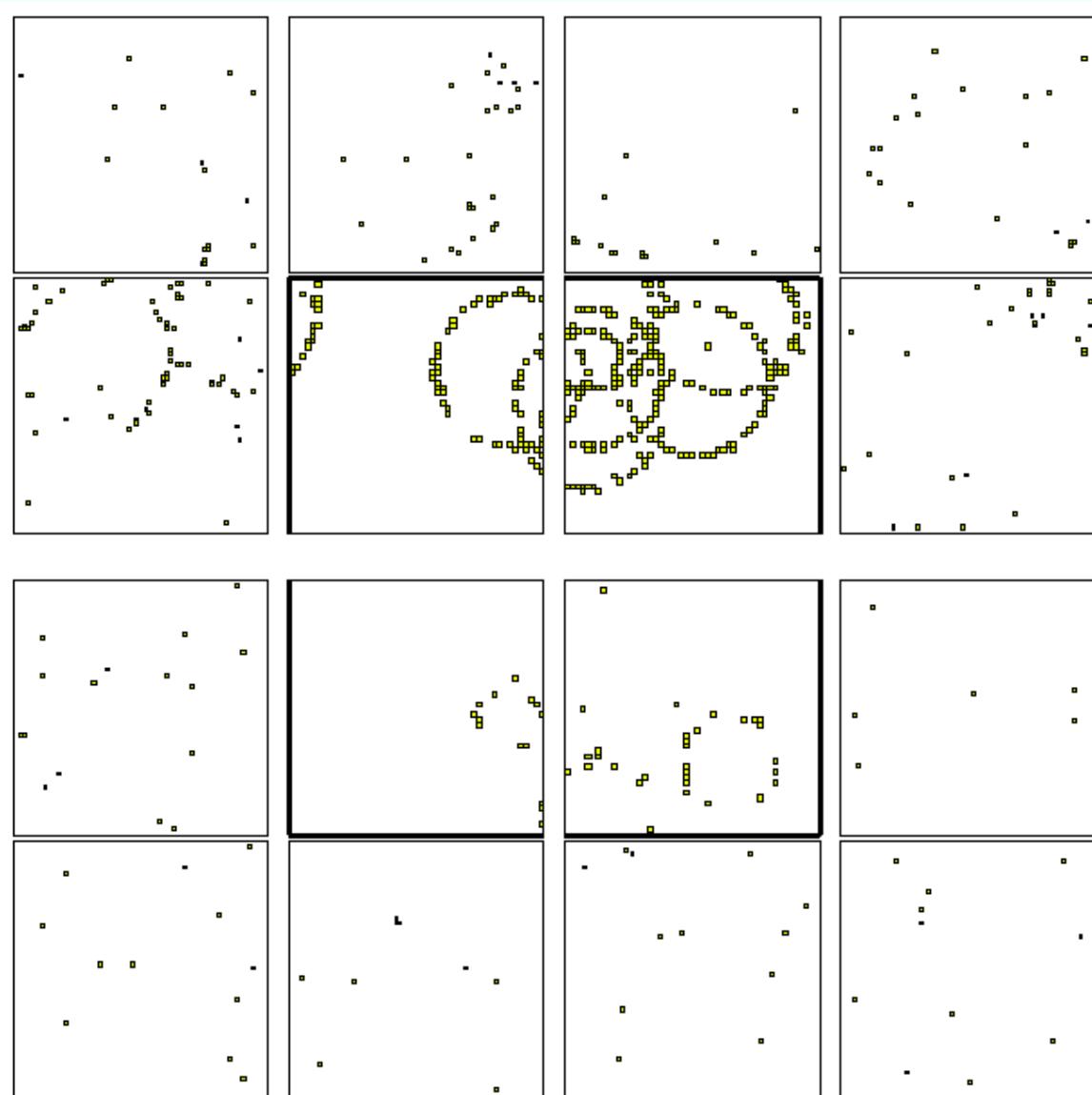
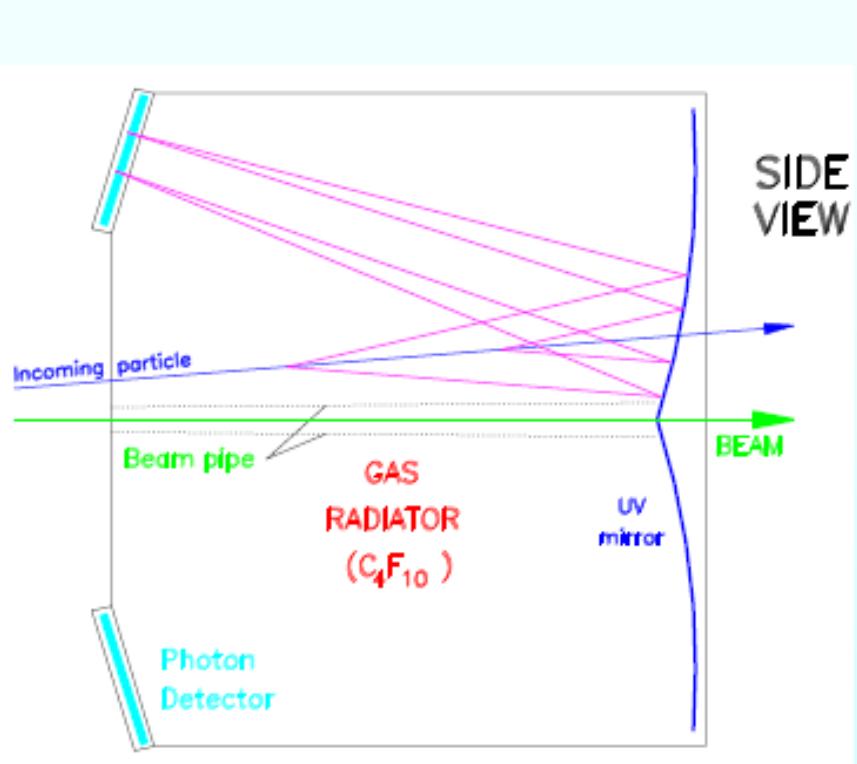
detector designed in 1996
in operation since 2002
upgraded in 2006

total investment: ~ 4 M €

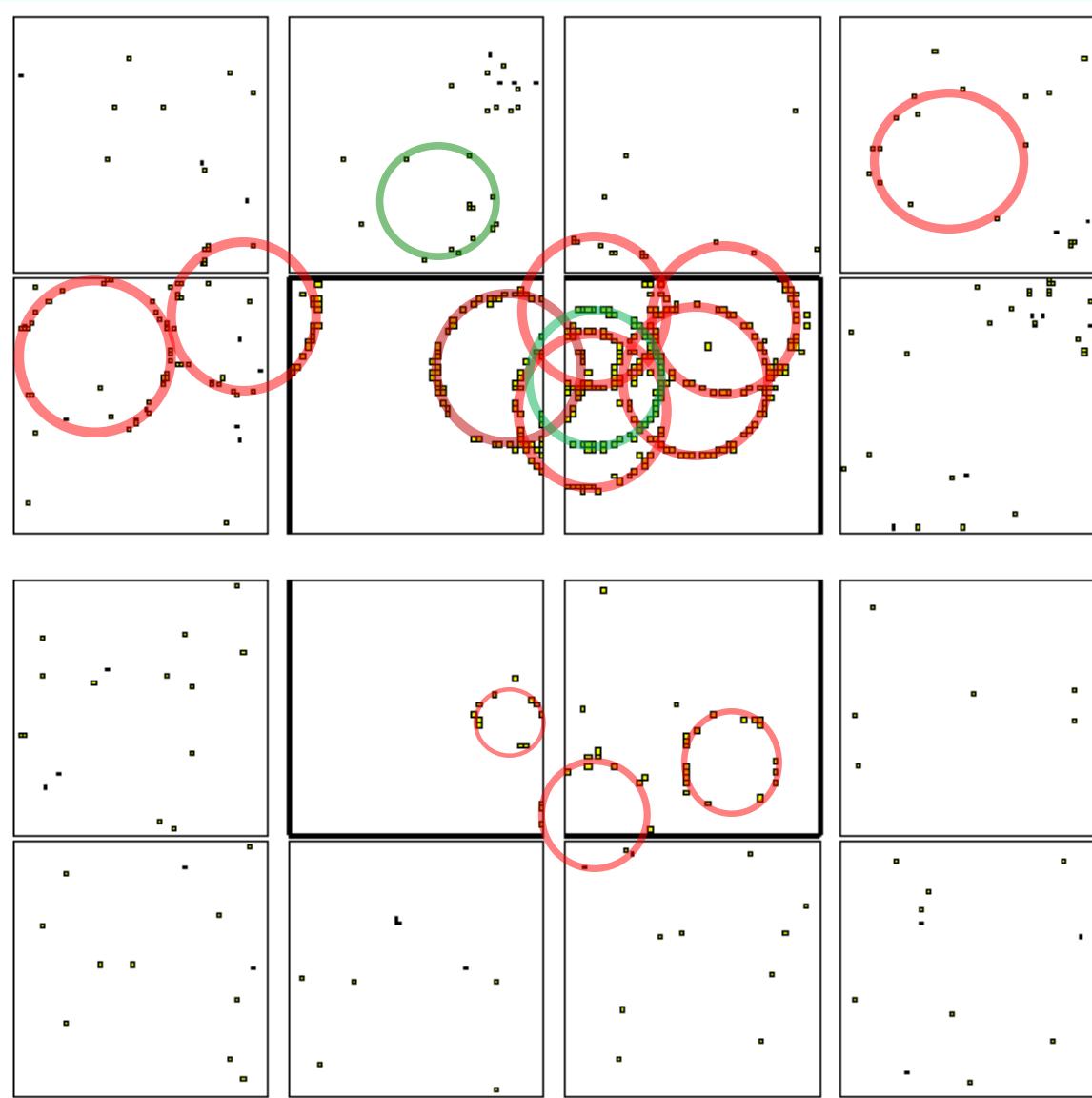
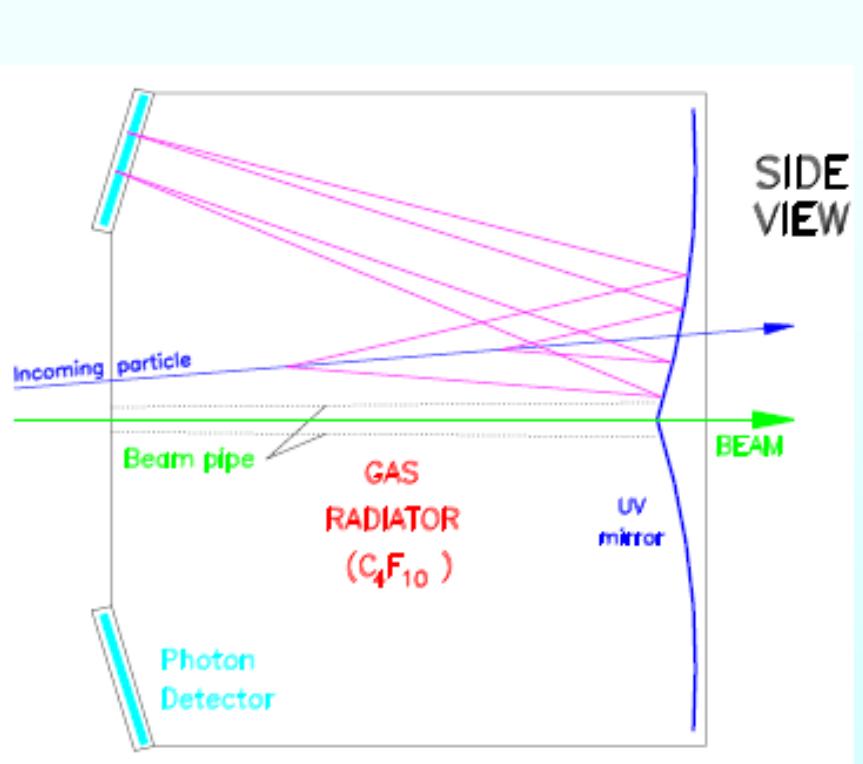
a new upgrade is foreseen in 2016



The principle and a typical event



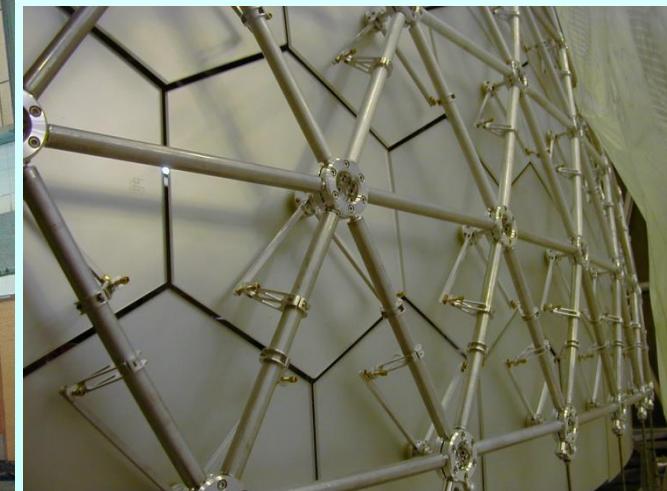
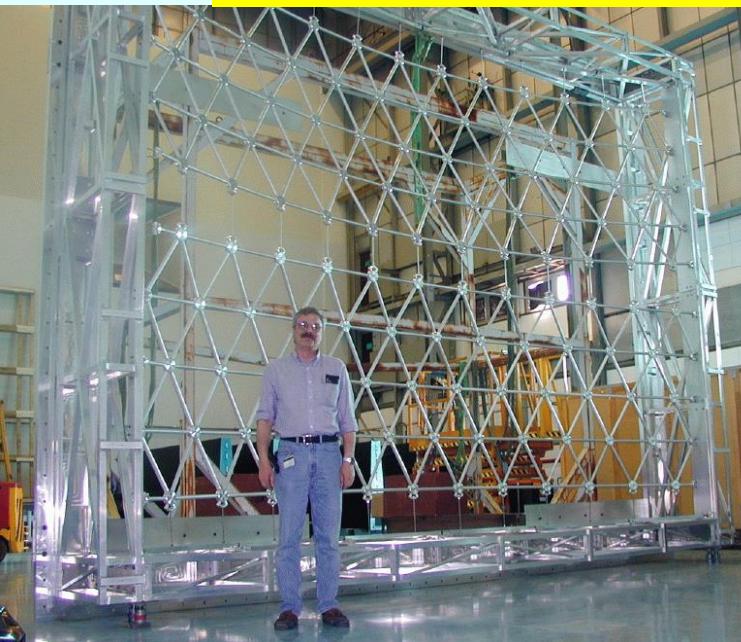
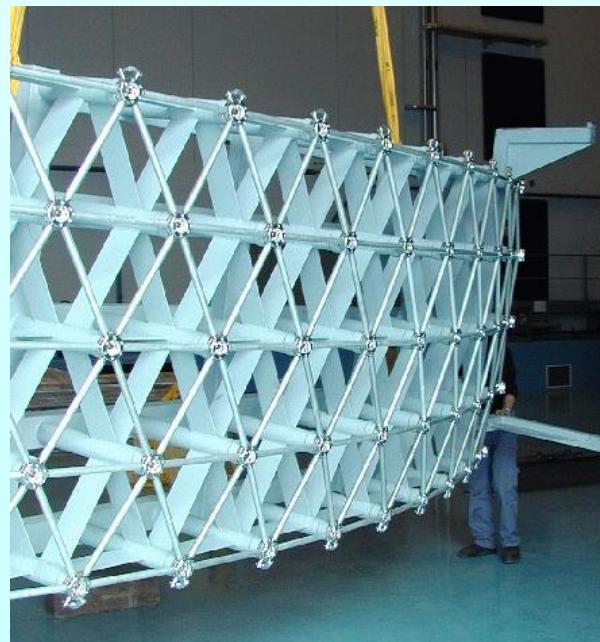
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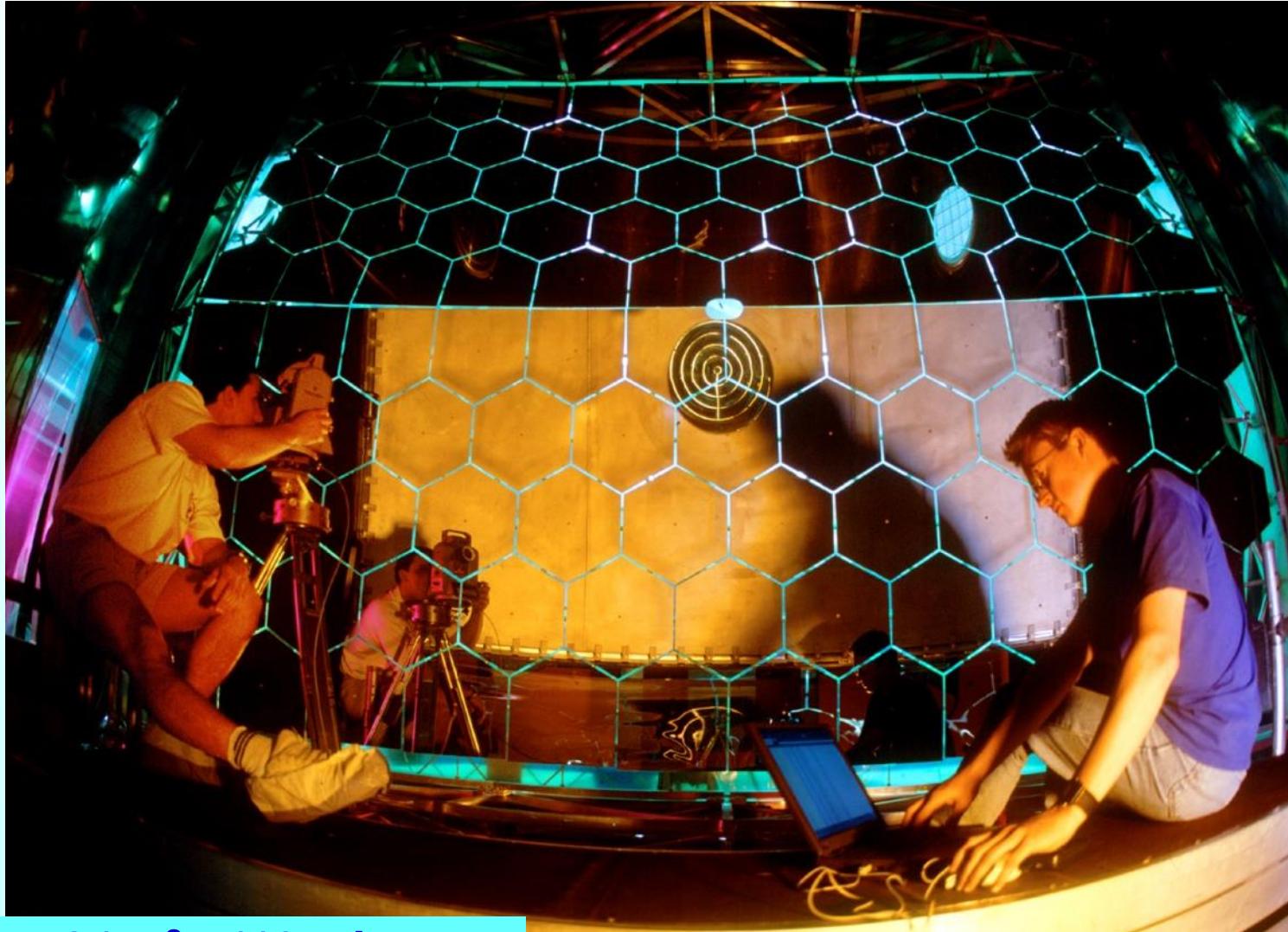
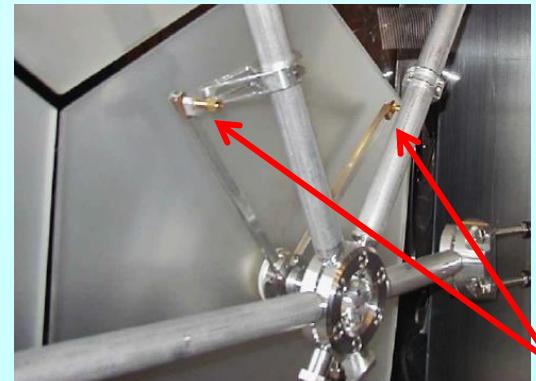
the vessel and the mirror support wall



Large and accurate mechanics
light front and rear windows
100 m of O-rings, 80 m³ C₄F₁₀



mirrors and alignment

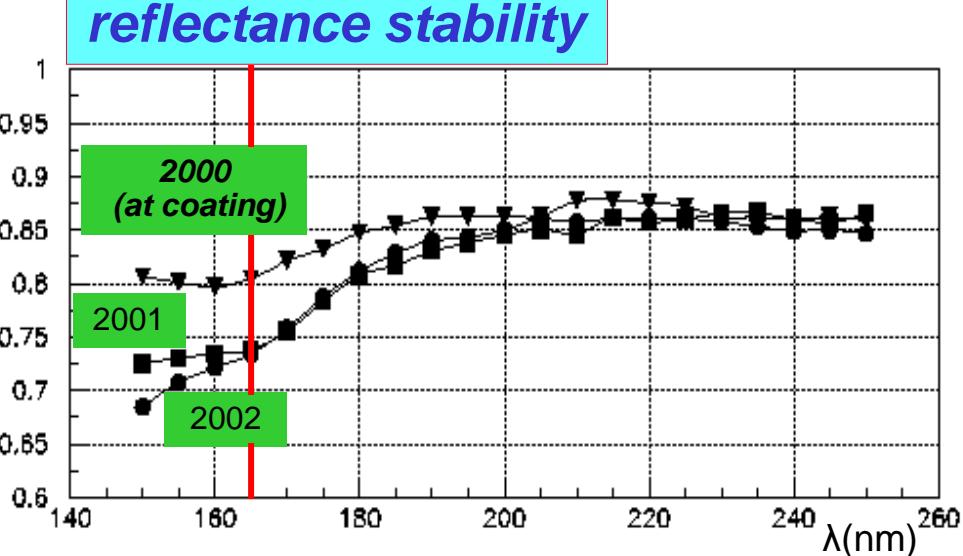


**21 m^2 , 116 mirrors
radius: 6.6 m**

angular regulation screws

measurement of mirror alignment
via laser autocollimation

reflectance



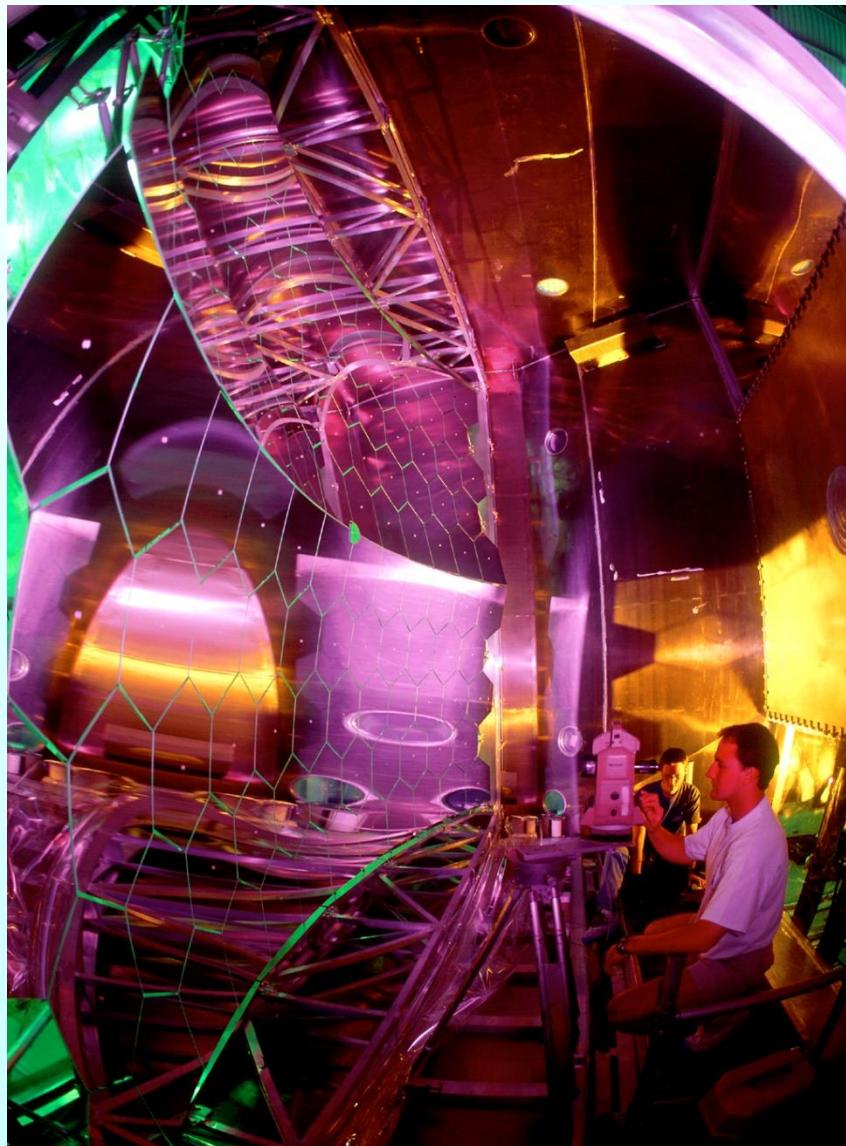
initial alignment accuracy: ~100 μrad

surveying accuracy: ~ 60 μrad

alignment instability: 1 mrad (first year)

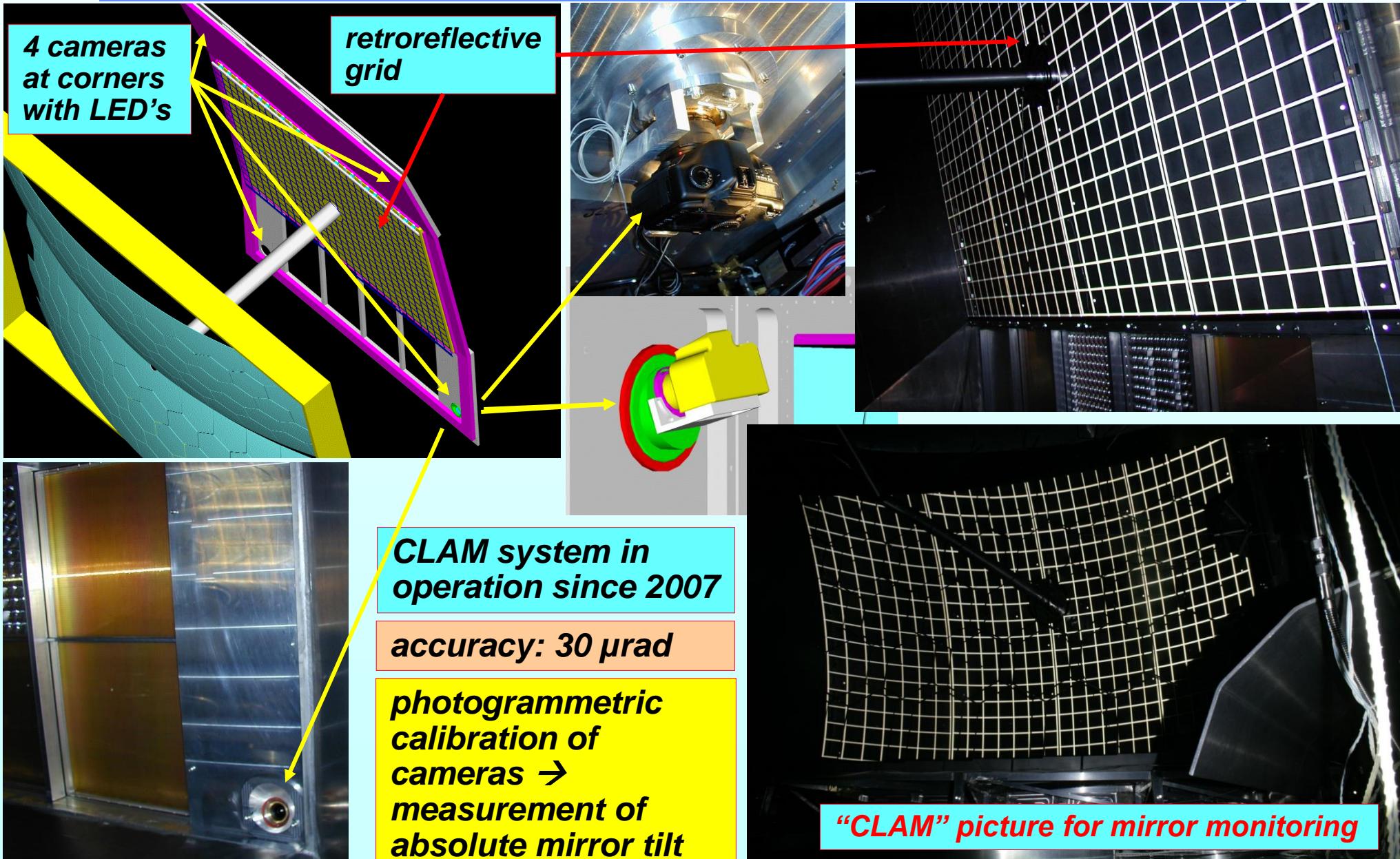
alignment instability: ~ 100 μrad after 2002

*alignment check → surveyors inside →
opening the vessel: contamination, dust,
risky operations, work load, expenses.*





CLAM: mirror alignment monitoring

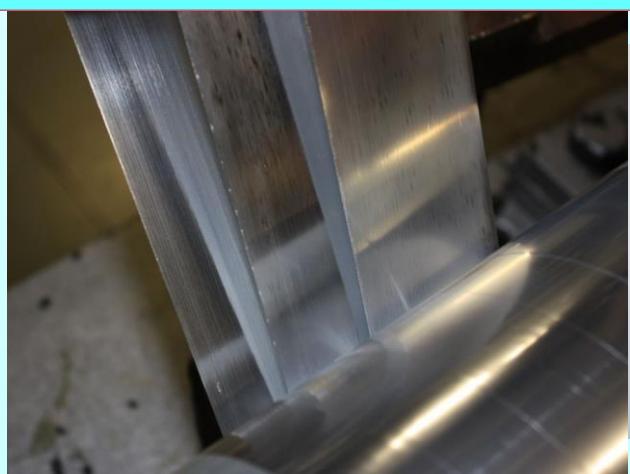


2012: a new light beam pipe

**Old: 150 μm thick stainless steel pipe:
0.85 % X_0 for orthogonal crossing**



Material: 4 x 25 μm thick Mylar +
200 nm Al coating (by Sheldahl)
winding by Lamina (6 μm glue)

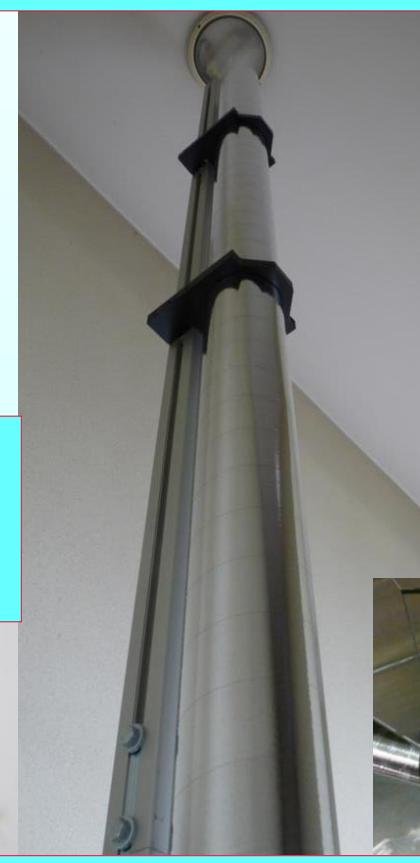


1 microflange for
suspension +
gas connection +
window holding

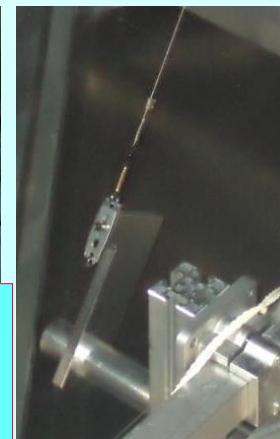
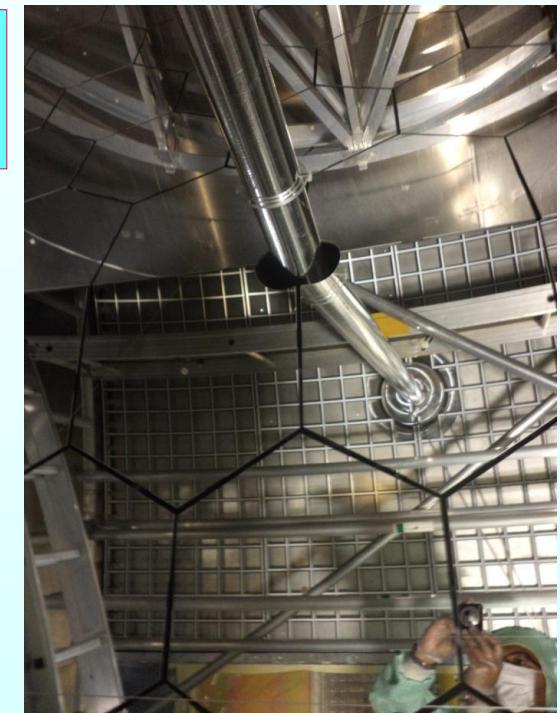


weight = 15 g

**New pipe: 0.044 X_0
for orthogonal crossing**



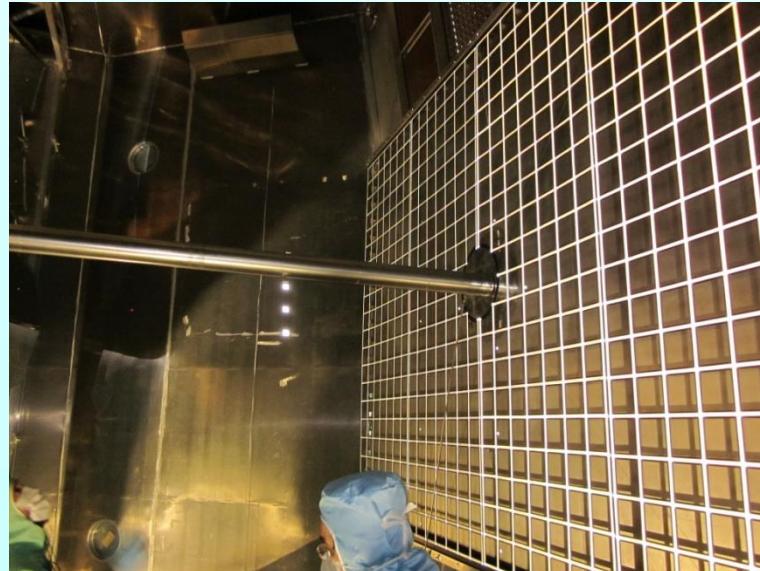
Suspension and tensioning system:
1 x 7 wires ss rope 30 μm diam.
1 microflange and 1



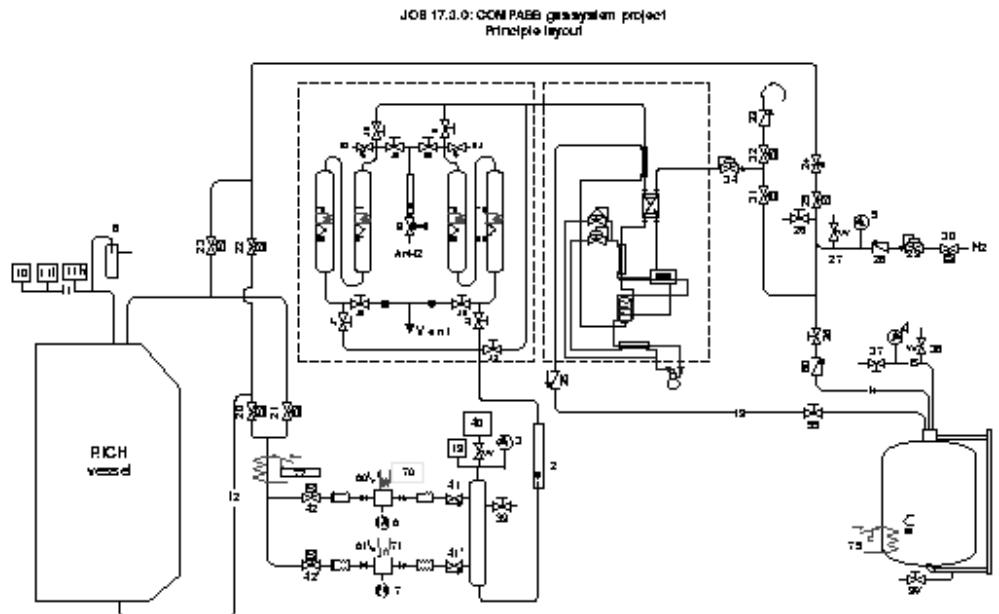
Safety issues for working inside the RICH



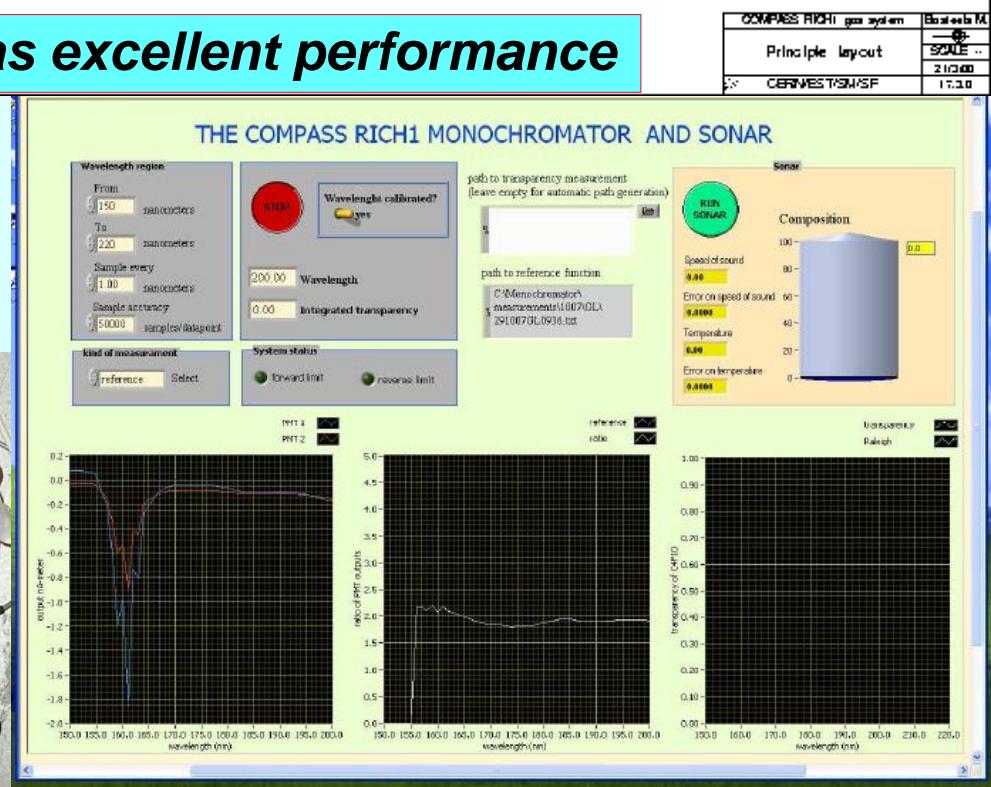
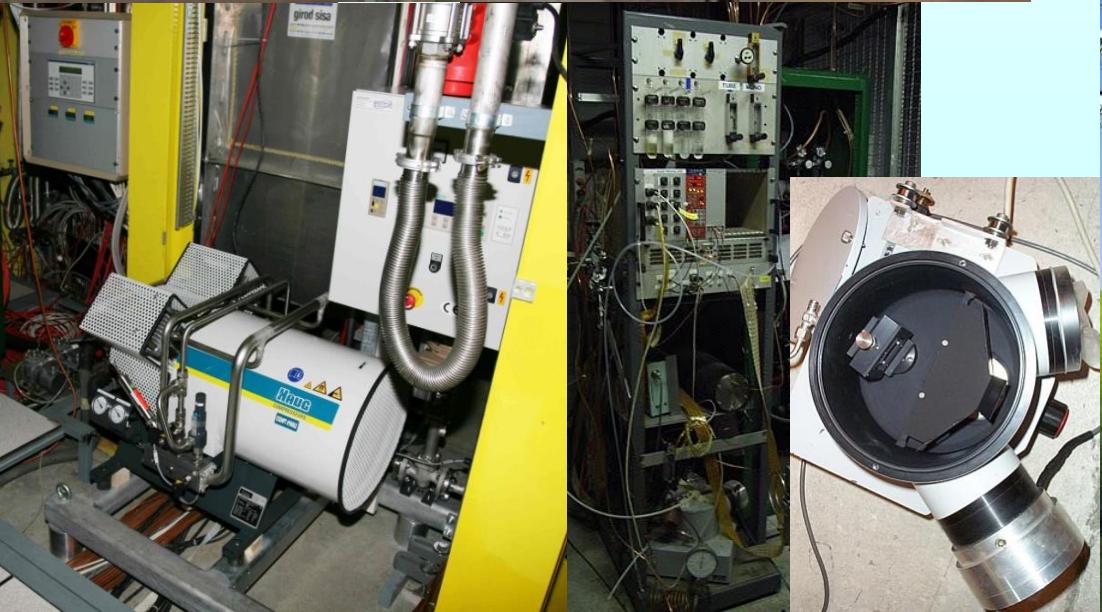
- 1) Radiation level: < 2 $\mu\text{Sv/h}$
- 2) Scaffolding installation
- 3) Old pipe removal
- 4) Mirror alignment measurement
- 5) New pipe installation + alignment
- 6) Removal of scaffolding +cleaning



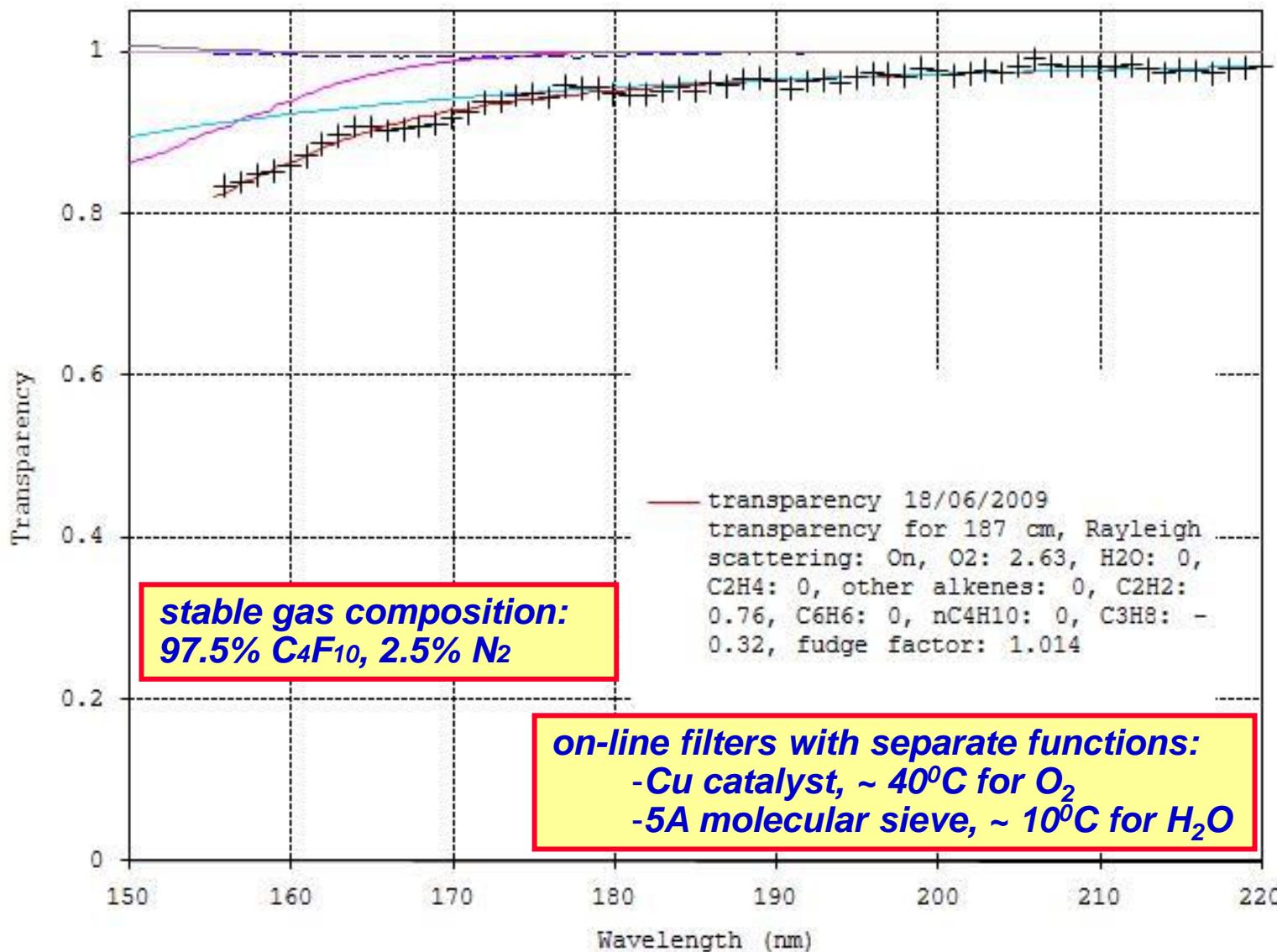
The radiator gas system



has excellent performance



Typical RICH-1 C_4F_{10} transparency





Problems with the radiator gas

Buying C₄F₁₀ is non trivial (out of market for years)

It comes dirty (very dirty sometimes): pre-cleaning is a must
(dedicated system, unavoidable losses, expert manpower)

Inserting it into the vessel (and recovering it) is delicate,
losses ~ 2%, incomplete (97.5% maximum)

Critical circulation system with feedback to keep $\Delta p < 0.1$ mbar challenged by weather

C₄F₁₀ leaks out (50 l/day): refill is needed

It integrates contaminants: some can be accepted (N₂, Ar), others need continuous filtering out (O₂, H₂O); the filters have limited capacitance (significant contaminations fill them quickly); regeneration takes several days

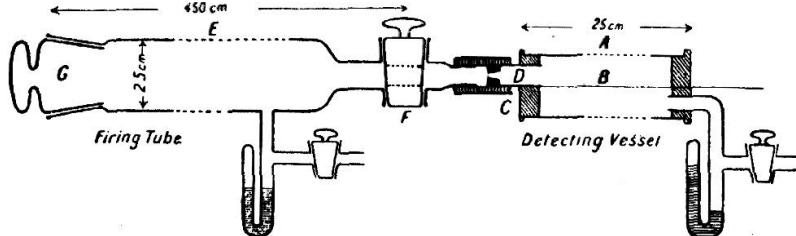
Monitoring the transparency is a must (dedicated system, expert manpower, significant gas consumption for each measurement)

Thermal gradients problem: → fast circulation (20 m³/h) implemented in 2009

Accidents can become disasters; emergency intervention to be granted in short time:
EXPERT ON CALL 24 h/day, 7 days/week for 7 months/year: heavy load on experts

In the family of gaseous detectors, with a glorious tradition

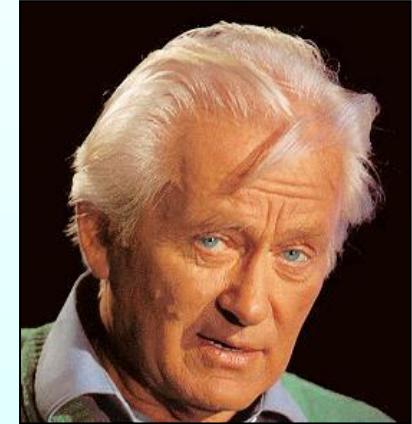
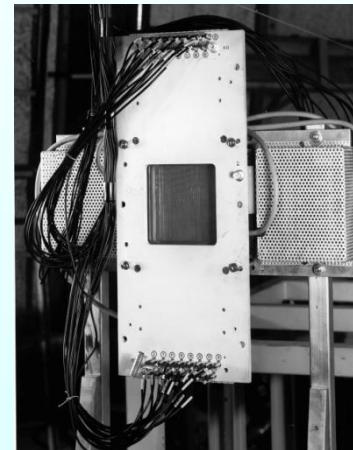
**1908: FIRST WIRE COUNTER
USED BY RUTHERFORD IN THE STUDY OF NATURAL RADIOACTIVITY**



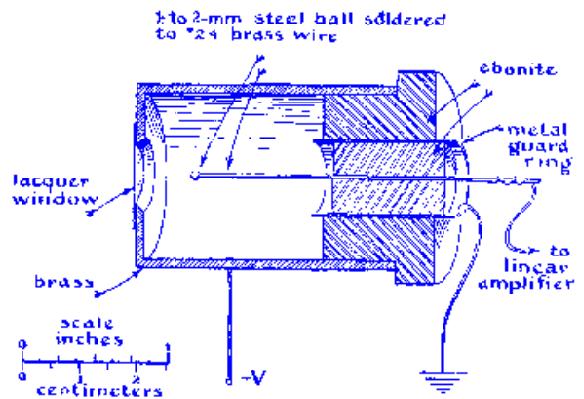
E. Rutherford and H. Geiger,
Proc. Royal Soc. A81 (1908) 141



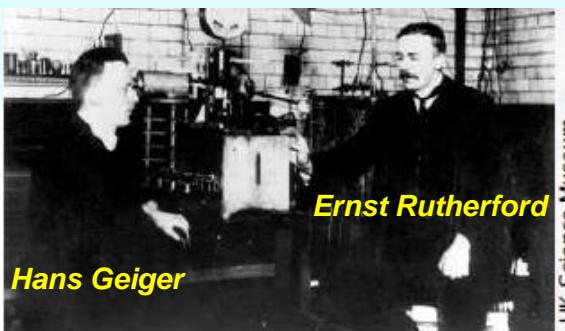
1968: MULTIWIRE PROPORTIONAL CHAMBER



**1928: GEIGER COUNTER
SINGLE ELECTRON SENSITIVITY**

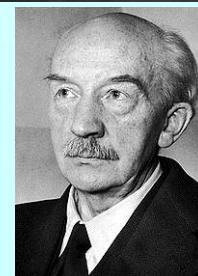


H. Geiger and W. Müller,
Phys. Zeits. 29 (1928) 839

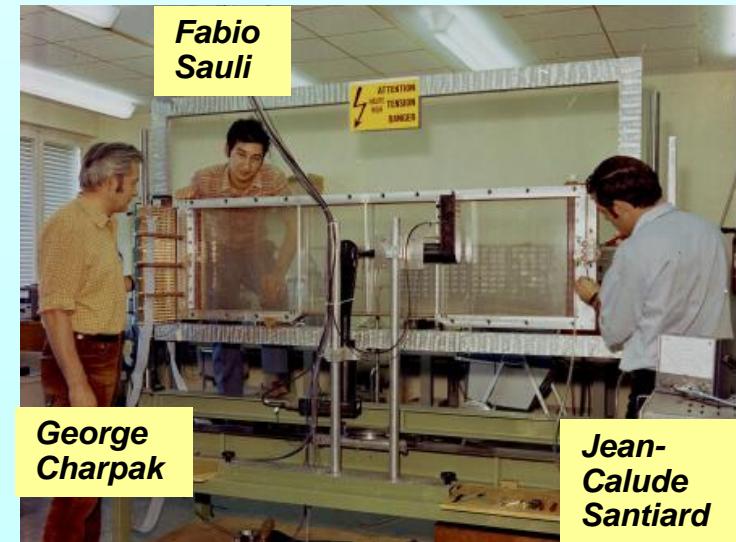


UK Science Museum

Walther Bothe
Nobel Prize in
1954 for the
“coincidence
method”



**G. Charpak, Proc. Int. Symp. Nuclear Electronics
(Versailles 10-13 Sept 1968)**





Gaseous photon detectors use

PHOTOELECTRIC ABSORPTION:

gas photoionization

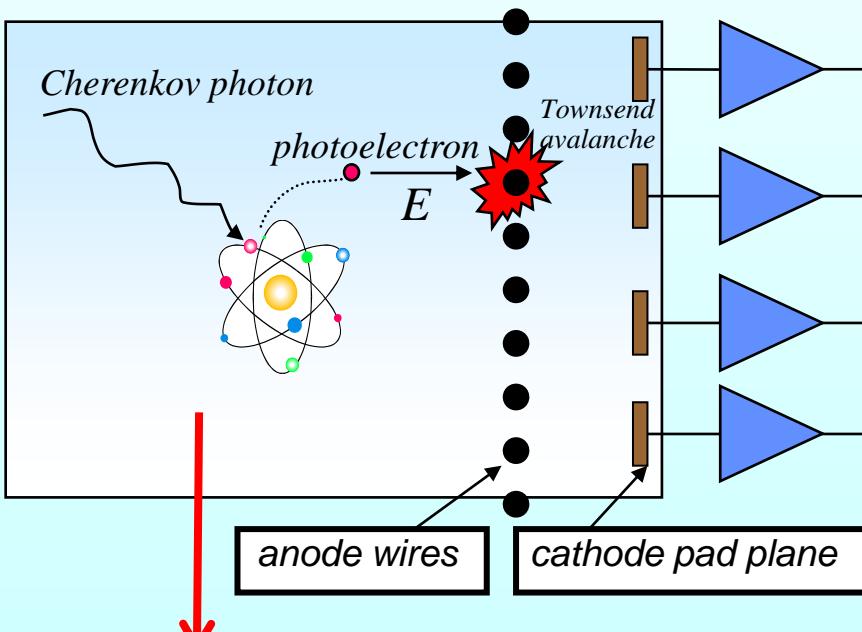
gas volume: photosensor (TMAE or TEA)
+ carrier (CH_4 or C_2H_6)

photoelectric effect

gas volume: CH_4

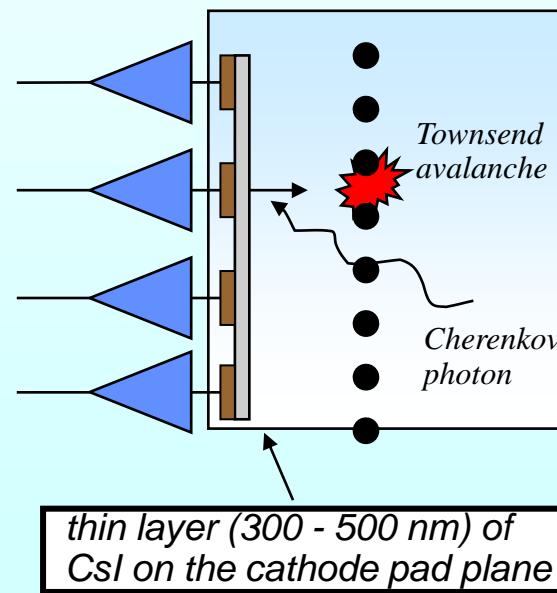


Albert Einstein



the past

and



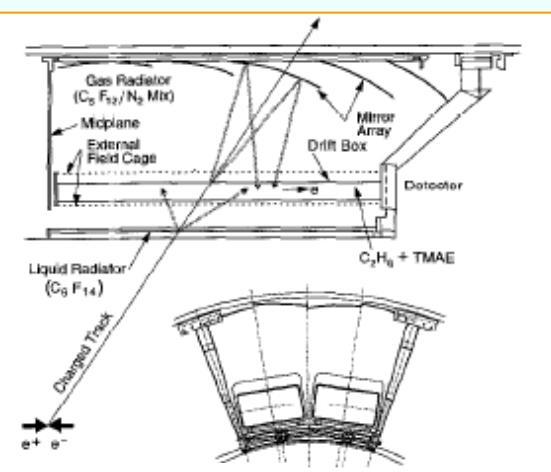
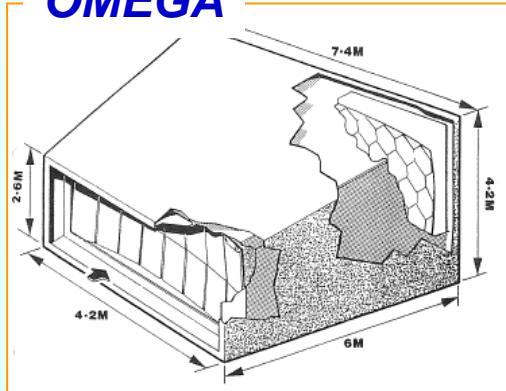
the present



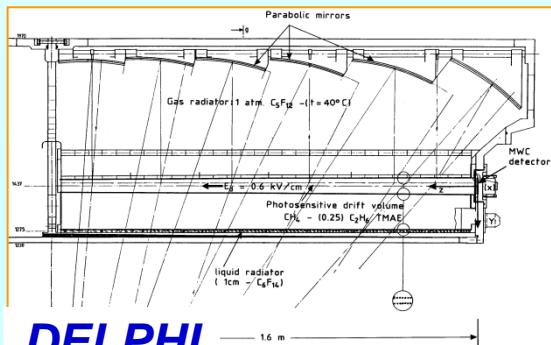
Tom Ypsilantis

RICH with gaseous PD's the first generation: photoconverting vapours

OMEGA

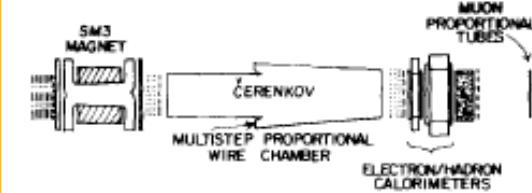


SLD - CRID



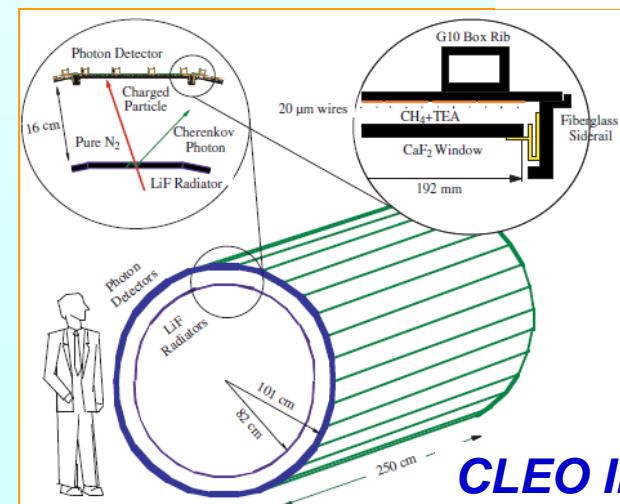
DELPHI

TMAE(*Tetrakis-Dimethylamine-Ethylene*)



PLAN VIEW E 605

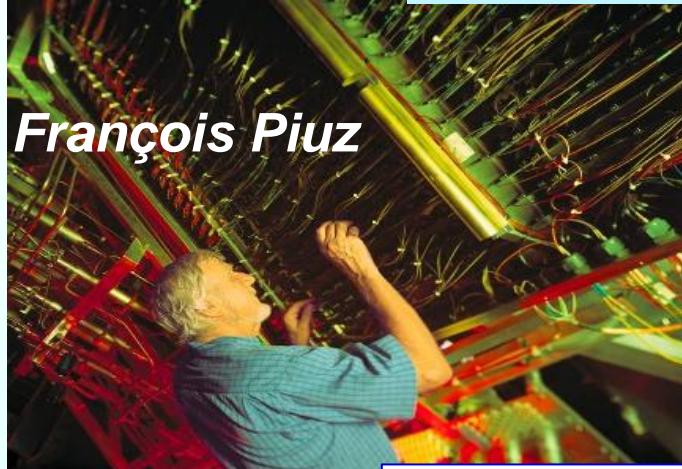
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CLEO III

TEA (*Tri-Ethyl-Amine*)

Thanks to RD26



François Piuz

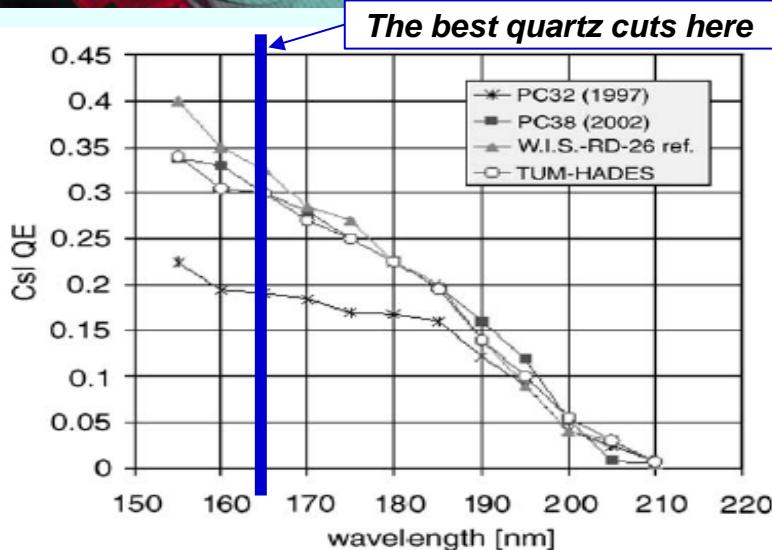


Fig. 1. The QE of CsI PCs produced at CERN for ALICE and at TUM for HADES, compared to that measured at the W.I.S. on small samples (reference for RD-26). PC32 is one of the four PCs equipping the ALICE-RICH prototype used in STAR at BNL.

A. Di Mauro, NIM A 525 (2004) 173

1992, F. Piuz et al. Development of large area advanced fast-RICH detector for particle identification at LHC operated with heavy ions

TO ACHIEVE HIGH CsI QE:

Substrate preparation:

Cu clad PCB coated by Ni (7 μm) and Au(0.5 μm), surface cleaning in ultrasonic bath, outgassing at 60 °C for 1 day

Slow deposition of 300 nm CsI film:

1 nm/s (by thermal evaporation or e⁻-gun) at a vacuum of $\sim 10^{-7}$ mbar, monitoring of residual gas composition

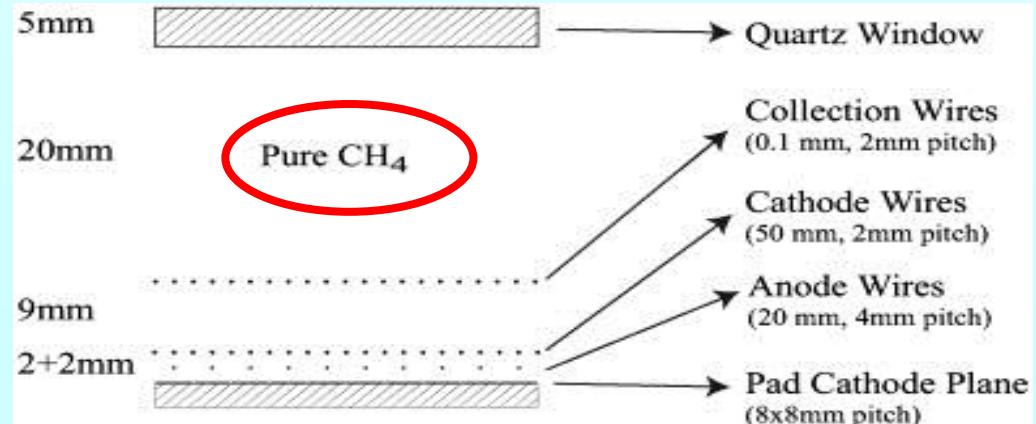
Thermal treatment:

after deposition at 60 °C for 8 h

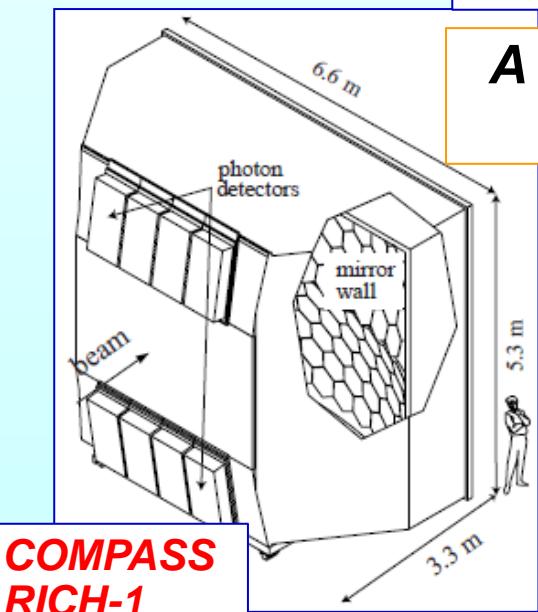
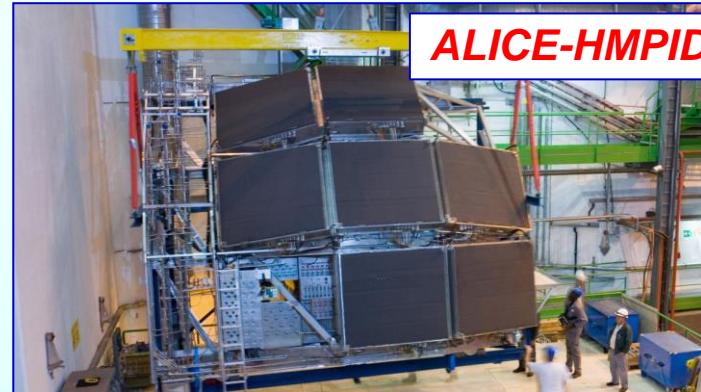
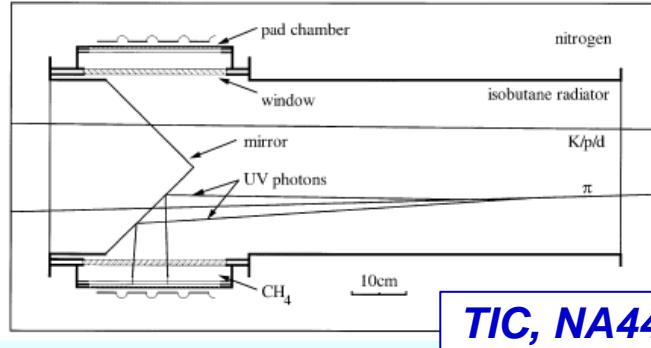
Careful Handling:

measurement of PC response, encapsulation under dry Ar, mounting by glove-box.

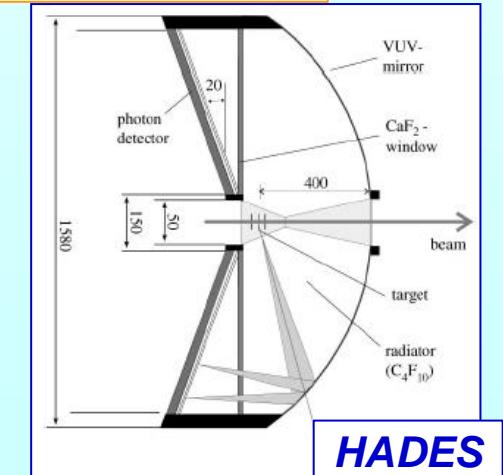
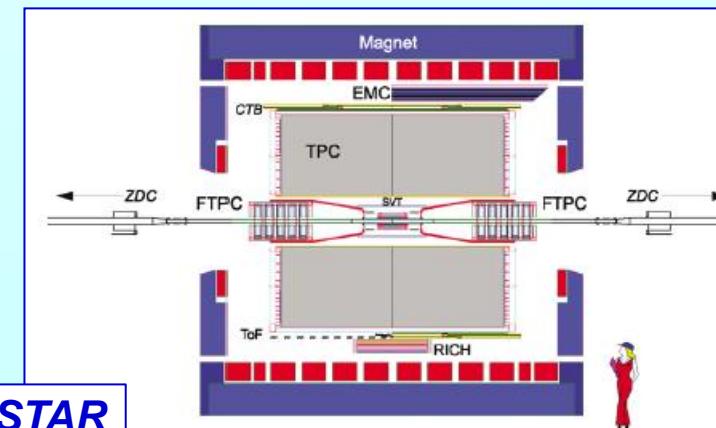
Schematic structure of the COMPASS Photon Detector:



RICH with gaseous PD's the second generation: MWPC's + CsI

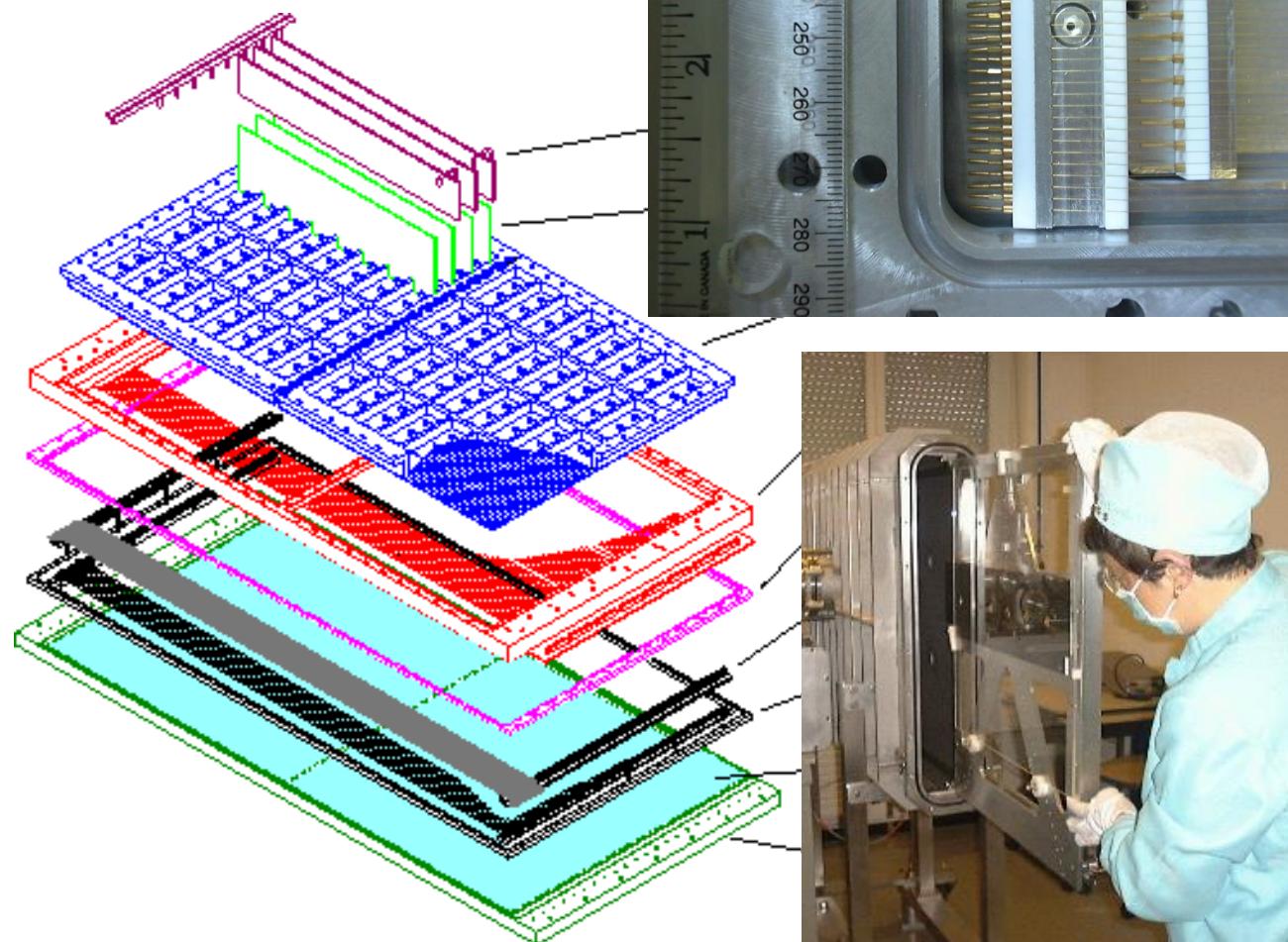


A solid state photocathode exposed to a gaseous atmosphere in an effective PD: a success !

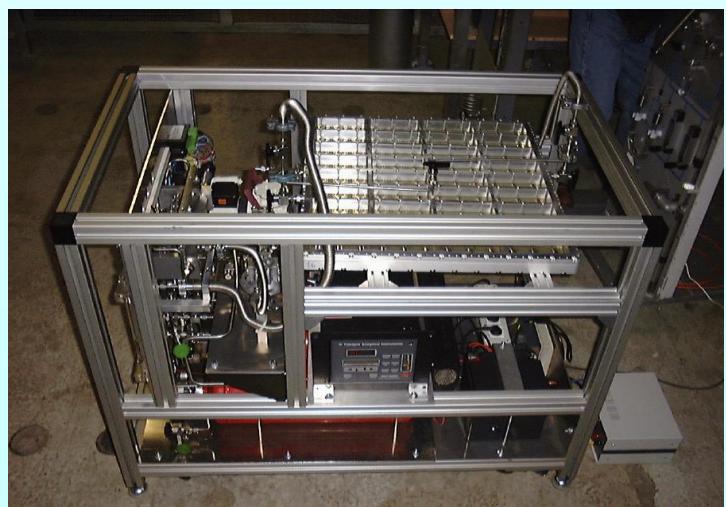
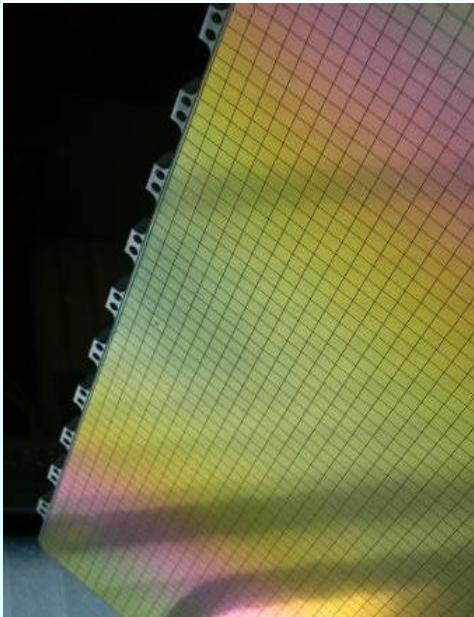


COMPASS: 8 MWPC's with CsI

*built in 1999 – 2000,
after prototypes tests
(RD26 development)*

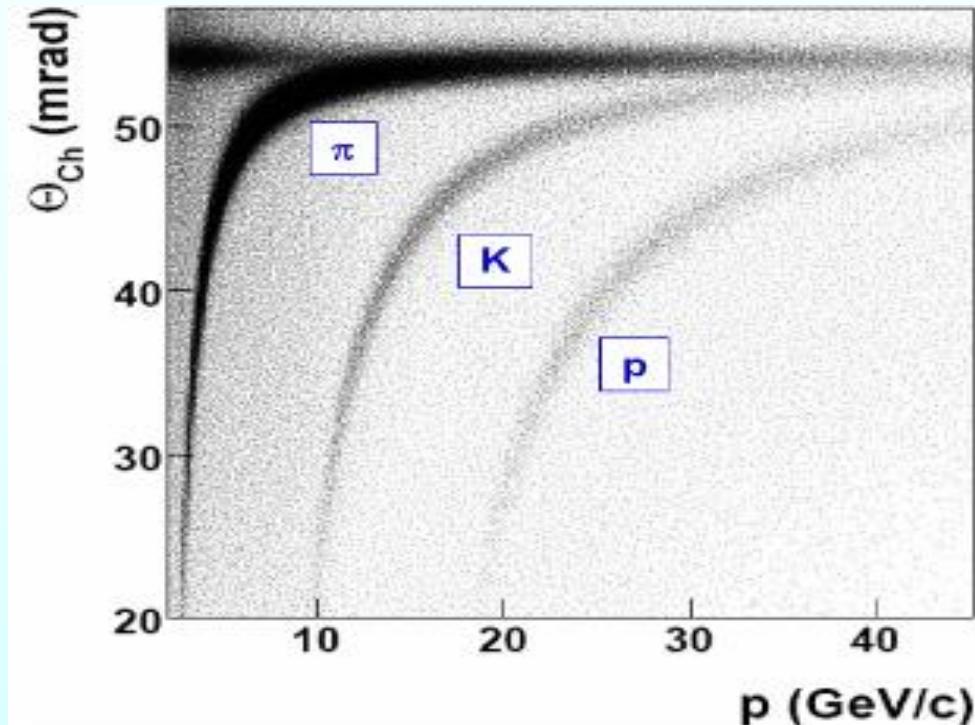


The CsI photocathodes



Good performance in low gain configuration

- photons / ring ($\beta \approx 1$, complete ring in acceptance) : **14**
- $\sigma_{\theta_{ph}}$ ($\beta \approx 1$) : **1.2 mrad**
- σ_{ring} ($\beta \approx 1$) : **0.6 mrad**
- 2σ π - K separation @ **43 GeV/c**
- PID efficiency ~ **95%** for $\theta_{ch} > 30$ mrad
except for the very forward region



After a long fight for increasing electrical stability at high m.i.p. rates and systematic studies at the CERN GIF we came to the same conclusion as Ypsilantis and Seguinot:

J. Seguinot et al., NIM A 371 (1996), 64:

CsI-MWPC with 0.5 mm gap to minimize ion collection time, fast front-end electronics (20 ns int. time):
stable operation is not possible at 10^5 gain because of photon feedback, space charge and sparks

1) MWPCs with CsI photocathodes in COMPASS:

beam off: stable operation up to > 2300 V

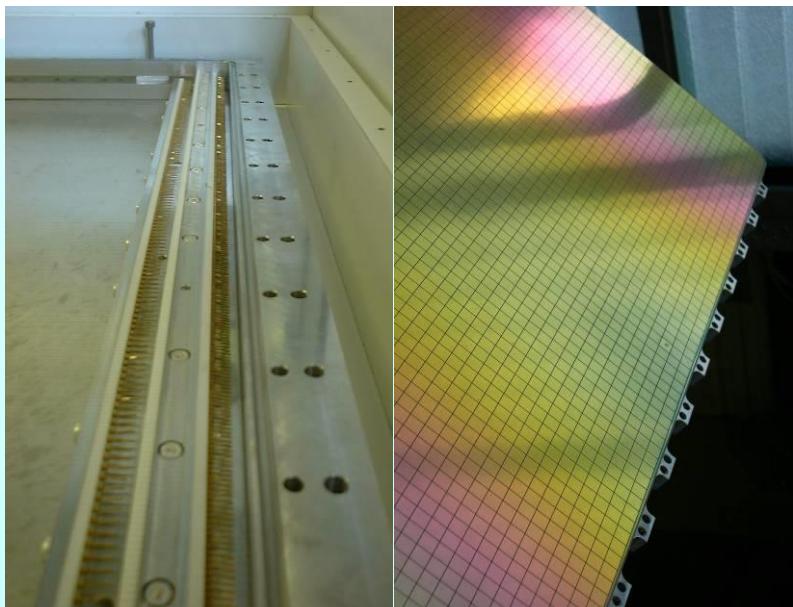
beam on: stable operation only up to ~ 2000 V

(in spill \rightarrow ph. flux: 0 - 50 kHz/cm 2 , mip flux: ~ 1 kHz/cm 2)

Whenever a severe discharge happens, recovery takes ~ 1 day

2) Photocathode aging:

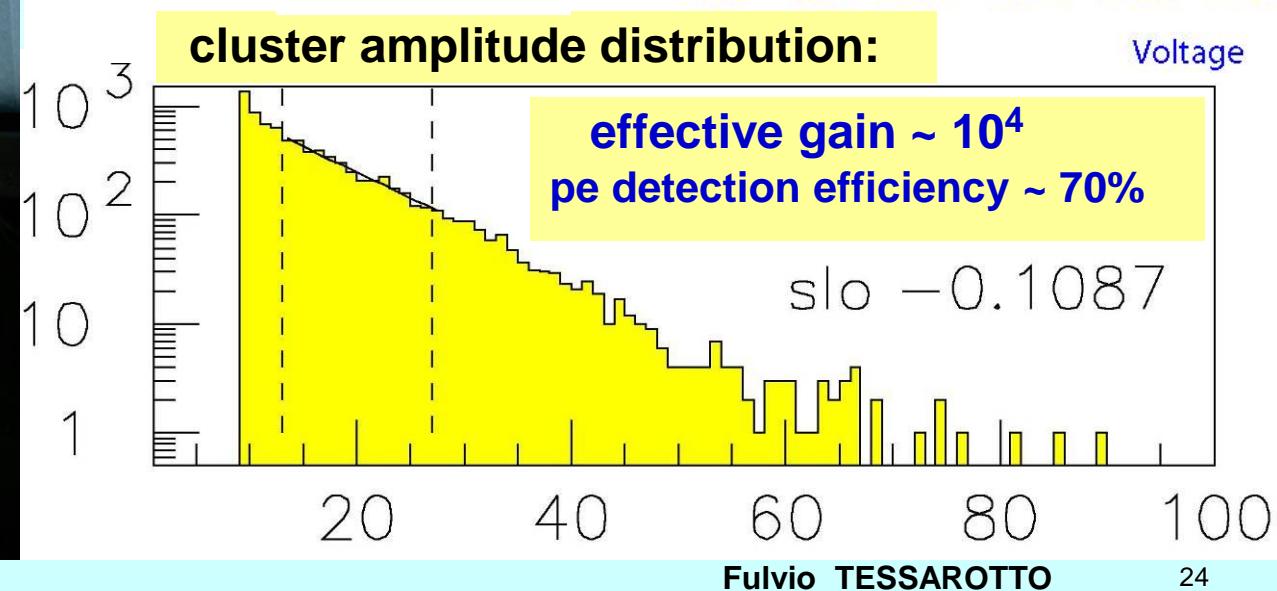
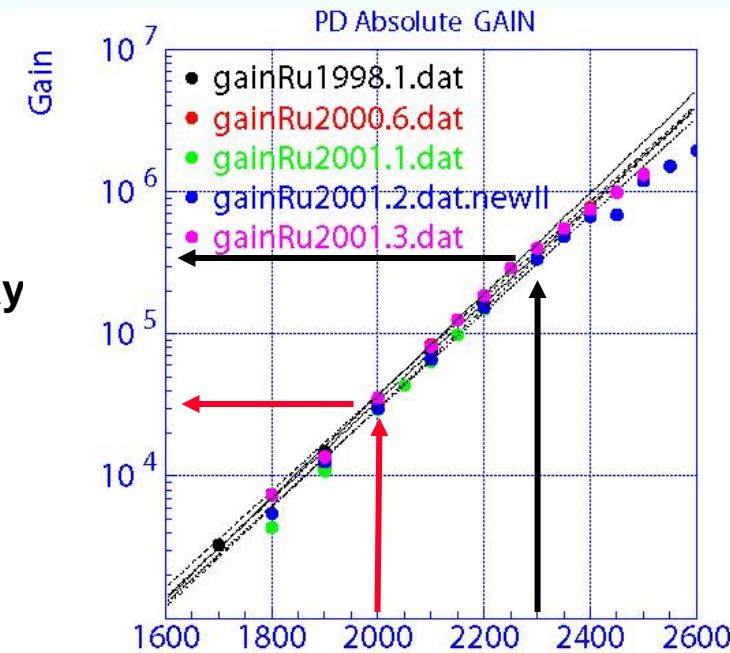
- our information from accidental contamination
- very detailed study by Alice team



Novosibirsk, 26/02/2014

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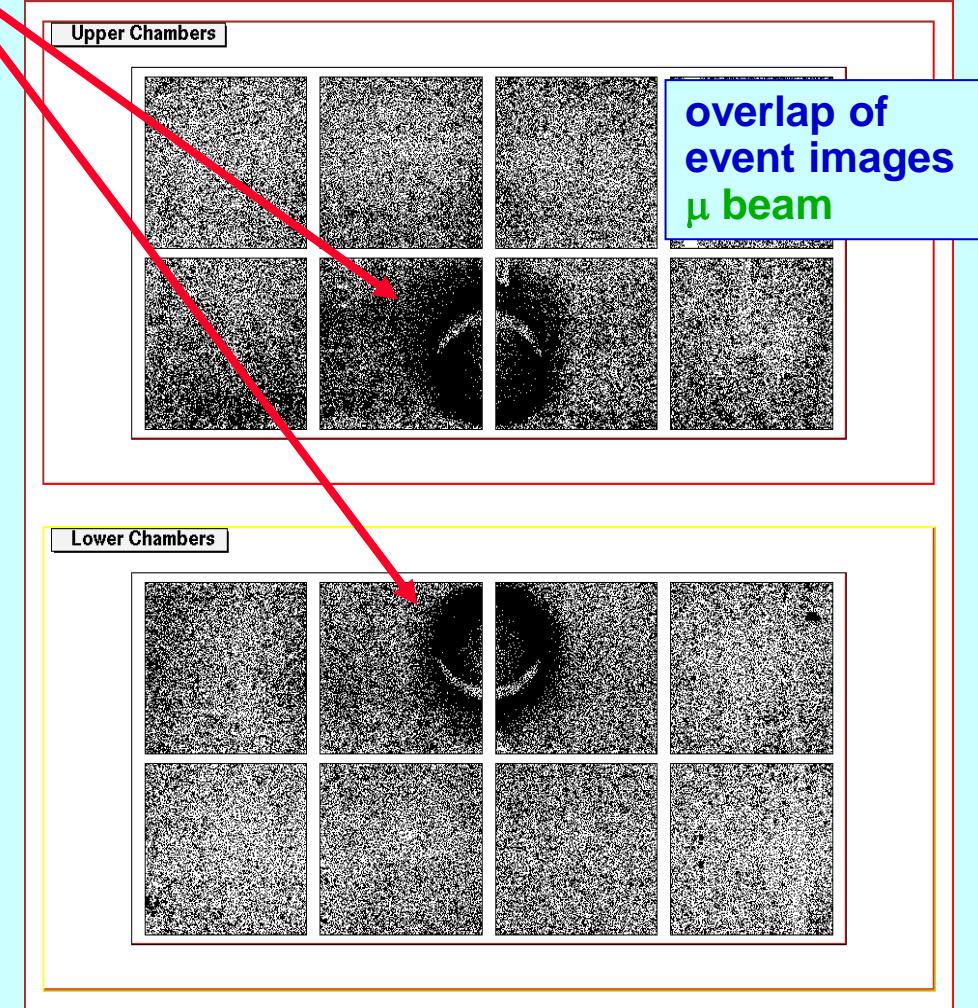
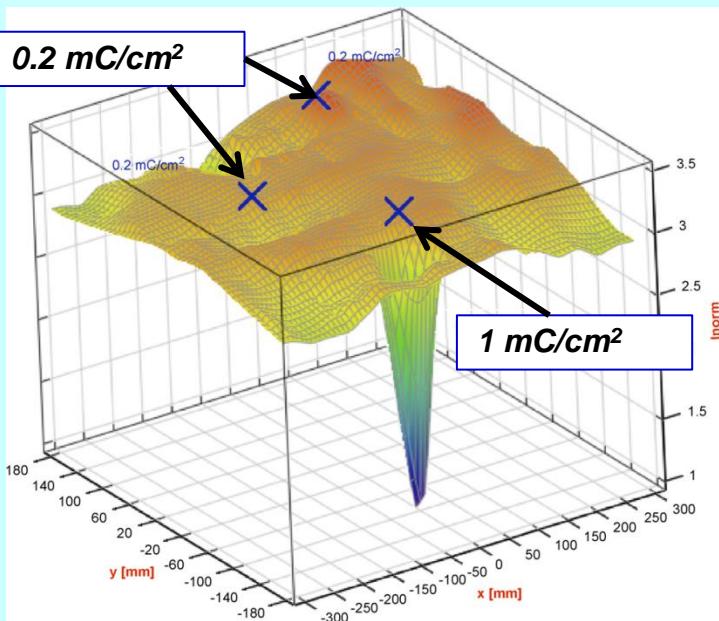
the central region before 2006

THE EXPERIMENTAL ENVIRONMENT

huge uncorrelated background related
to the memory of the MWPCs + read-out

Accelerated ageing test

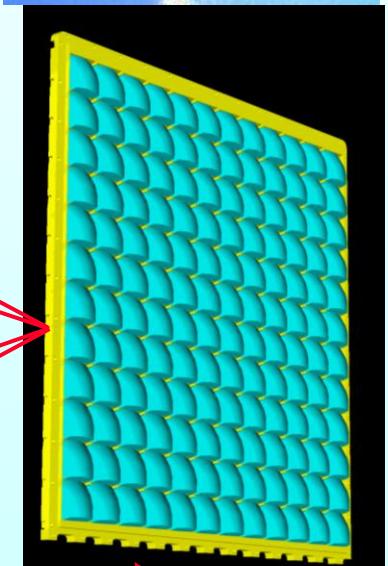
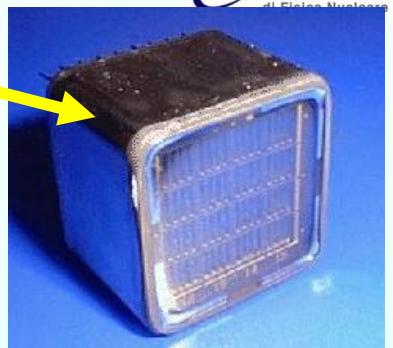
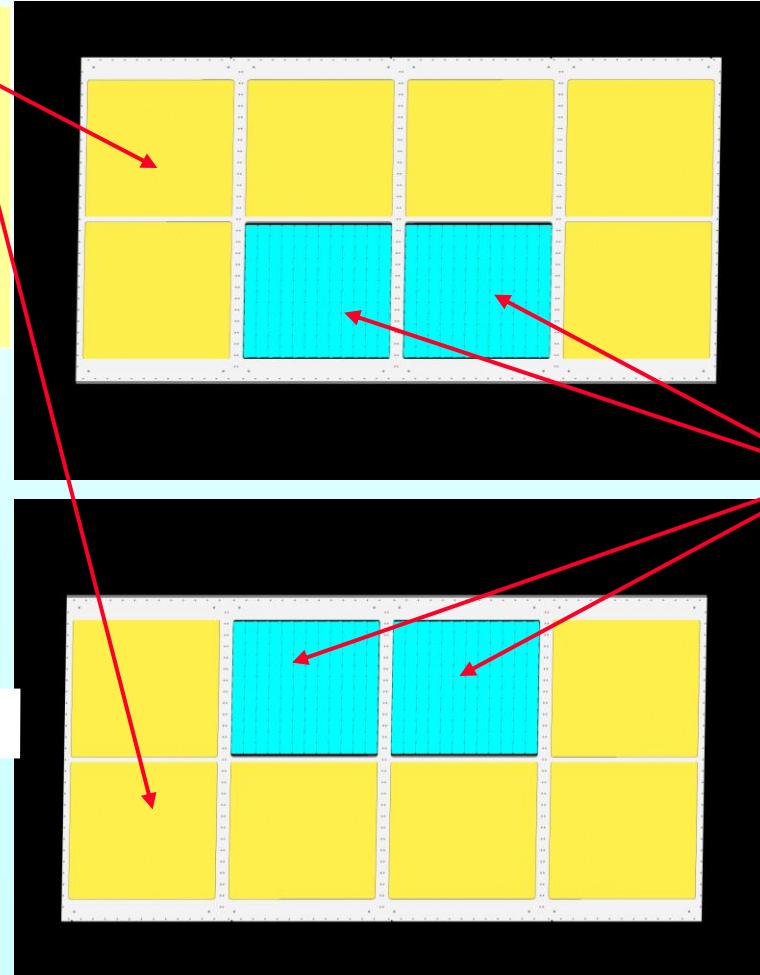
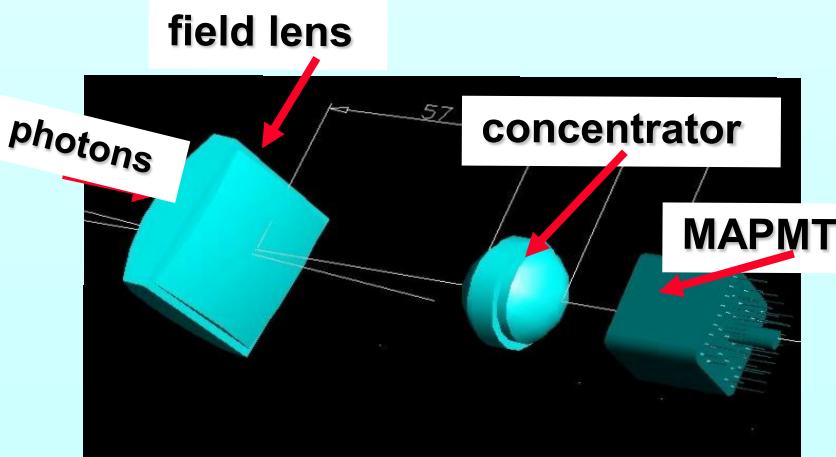
H. Hoedlmoser et al., NIM A 574 (2007) 28.



upgrade of RICH-1 with MAPMT's in the central region (2006)

12 outer CsI cathodes: change
electronics (use APV25-S1)

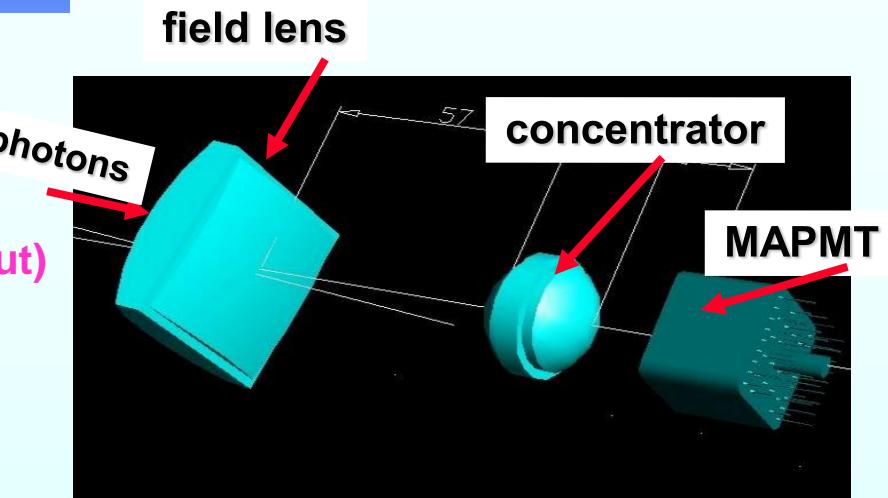
4 central CsI cathodes: remove
and insert frames with MAPMTs
and lense telescopes



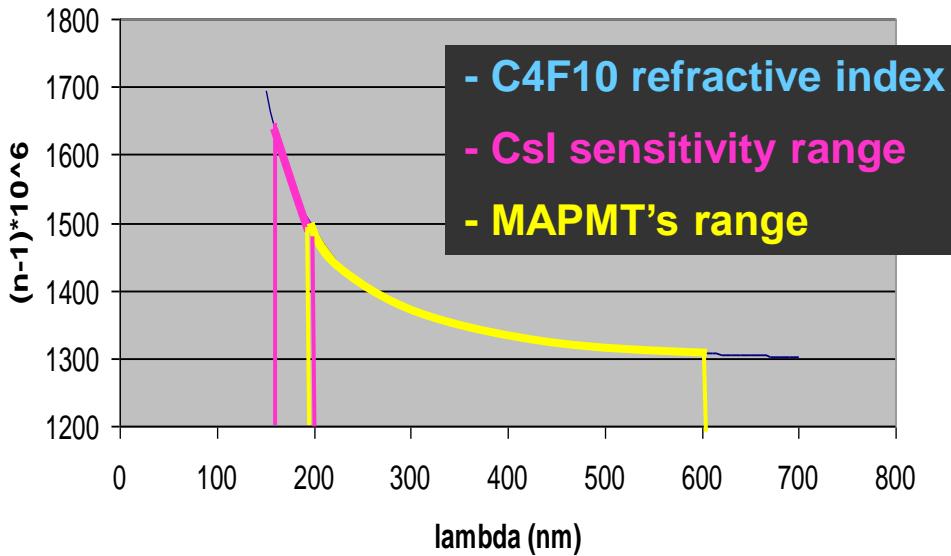
The difference

MAPMT's have:

- wide wavelength range
- time resolution < 1 nsec
- short detection system memory (MAPMT + read-out)
- adequate for high rate operation
- robustness
- high efficiency for single photon detection



C4F10: $(n-1) \times 10^6$



challenges:

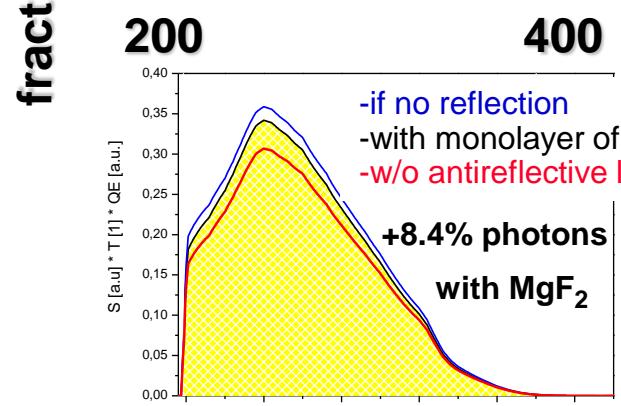
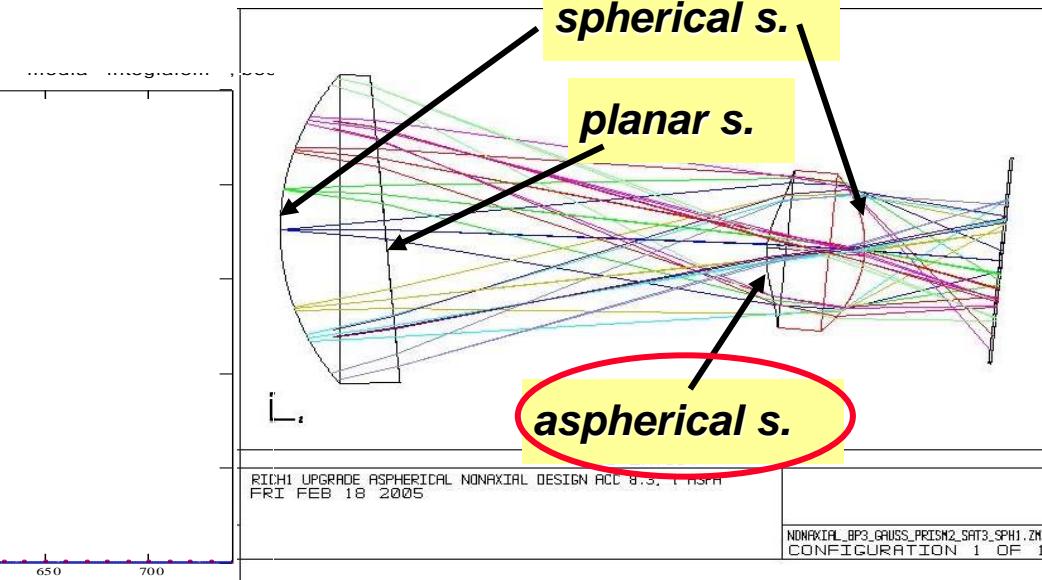
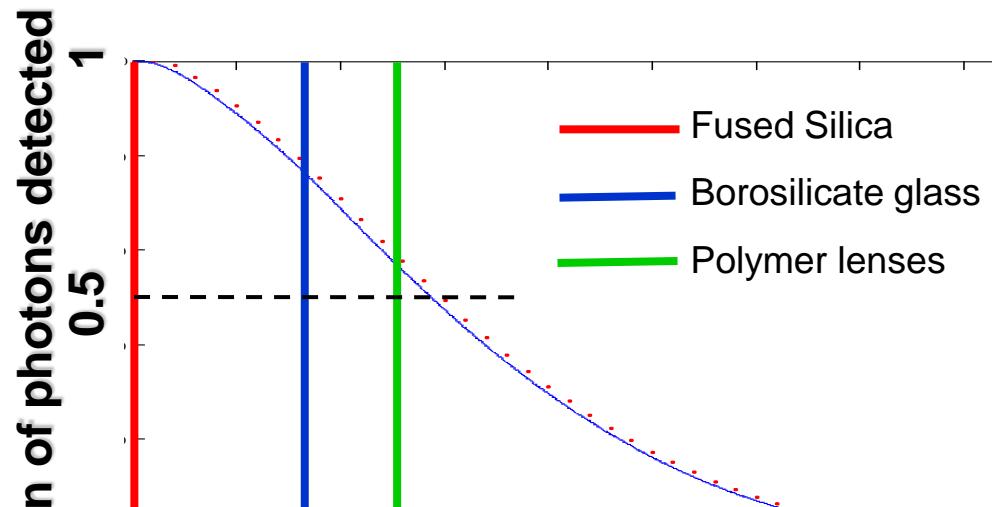
large ratio of the collection and photocathode areas with minimal image distortion
 \rightarrow ratio = 7.3 \leftrightarrow critical **LENS SYSTEM** design
 UV range \leftrightarrow fused silica **LENSES**
 couple to a read-out system able to guarantee efficiency, high rate operation and to preserve time resolution

THE LENSES

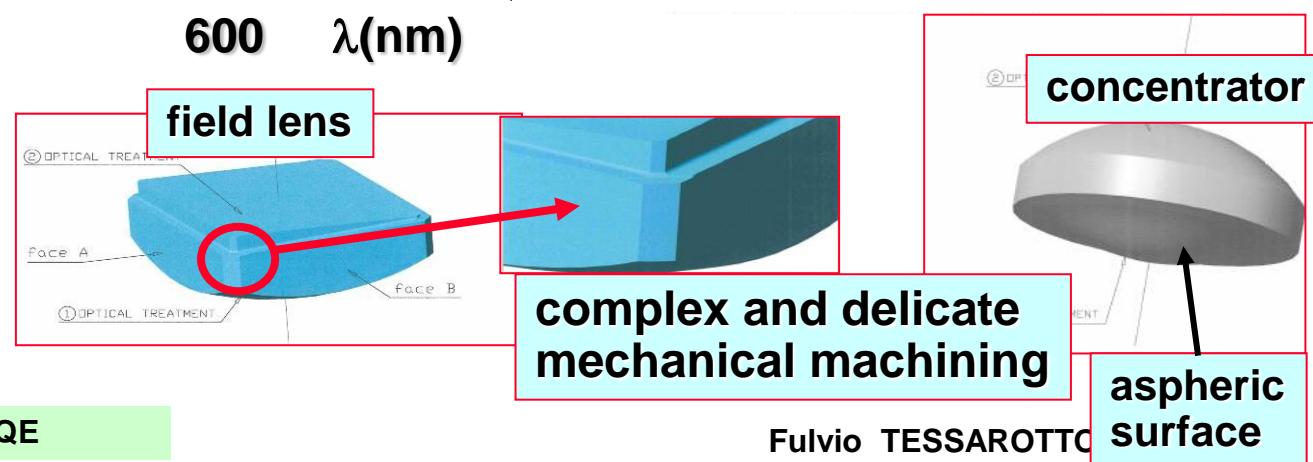
$$\frac{\int_{\lambda}^{800} QE(\lambda) \cdot S(\lambda) \cdot d\lambda}{\int_{200}^{800} QE(\lambda) \cdot S(\lambda) d\lambda}$$

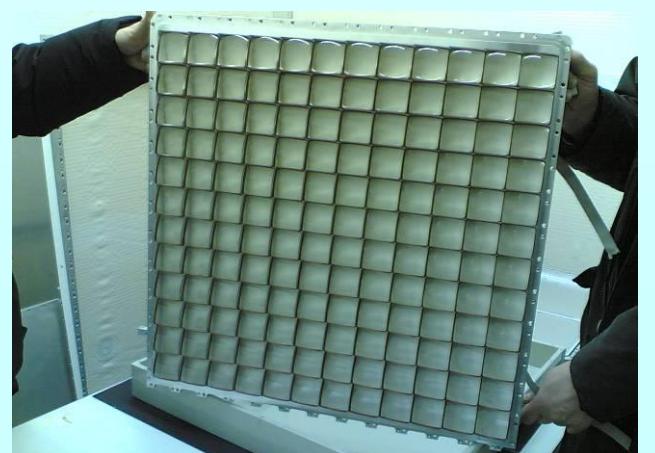
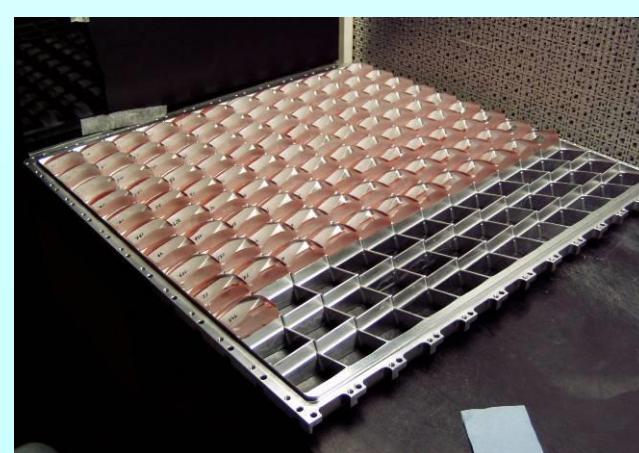
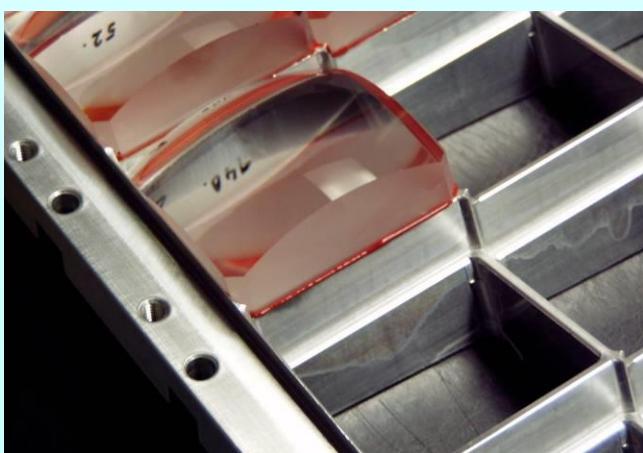
material:
fused silica, Corning 7980,

ZEMAX
optimization:



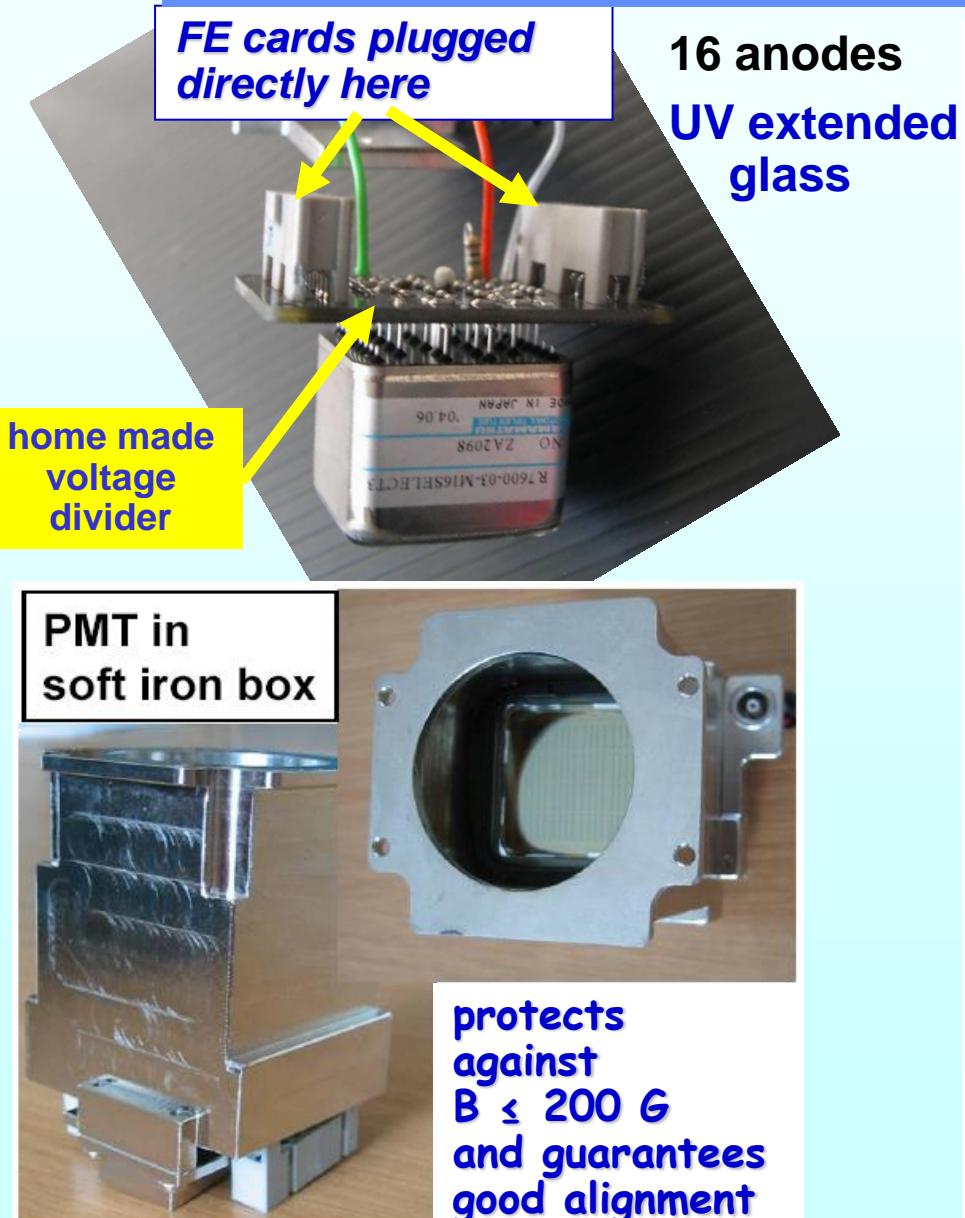
Convolution of Cherenkov light and effective QE





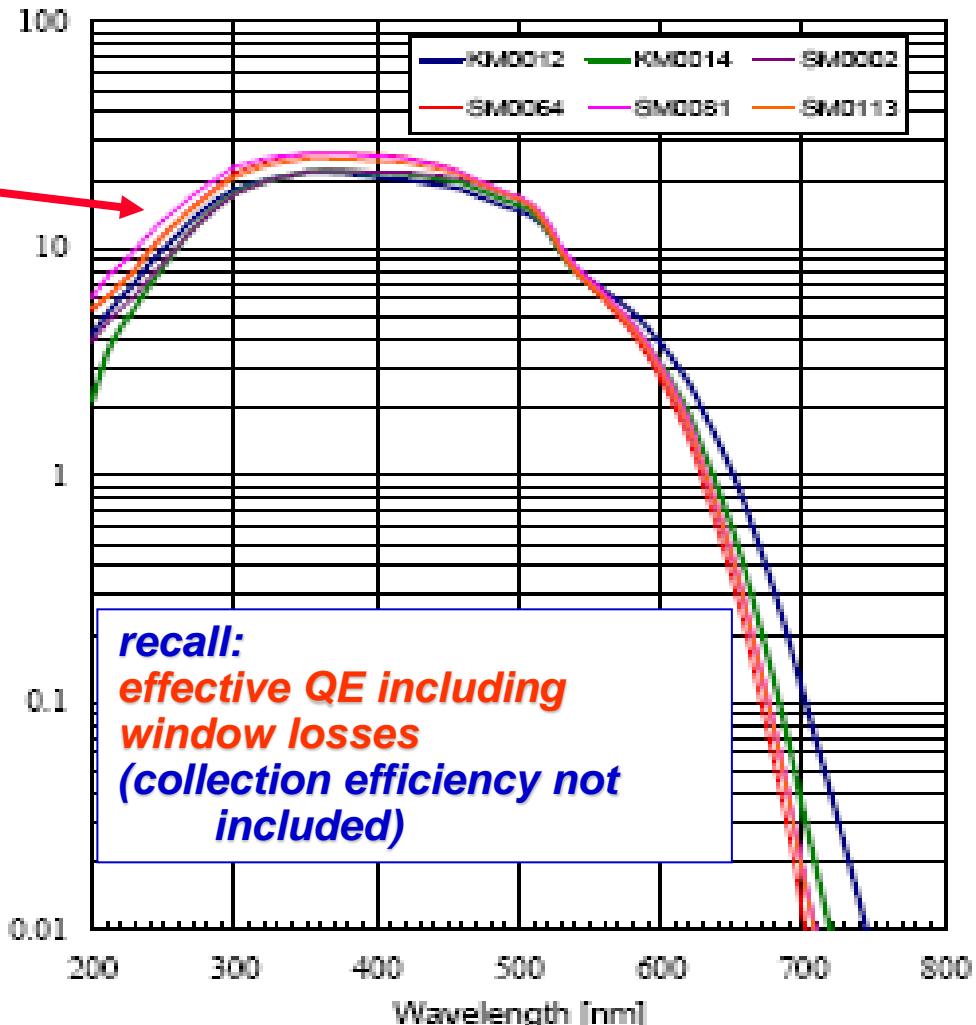


MAPMT: HAMAMATSU R7600-03-M16



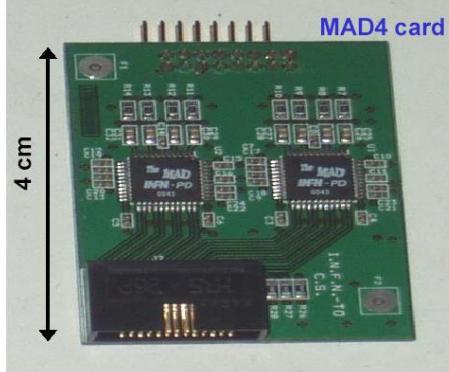
R7600-03-M16 Spectral Response Characteristics

New (Current) Window : SM0064, SM0081, SM0113
Old (Previous) Window : KM0012, KM0014, SM0002

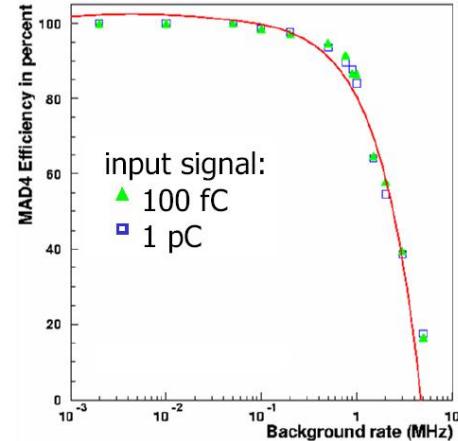


Analogue read-out electronics: MAD4 preamplifier

- up to ≈ 1 MHz / channel
- low noise $\approx 5\text{-}7$ fC
- single photon PMT signal ≈ 1 pC (at 900 V)
- clear separation signal / noise



further development by INFN TORINO: CMAD in 2007
up to 5 MHz / channel

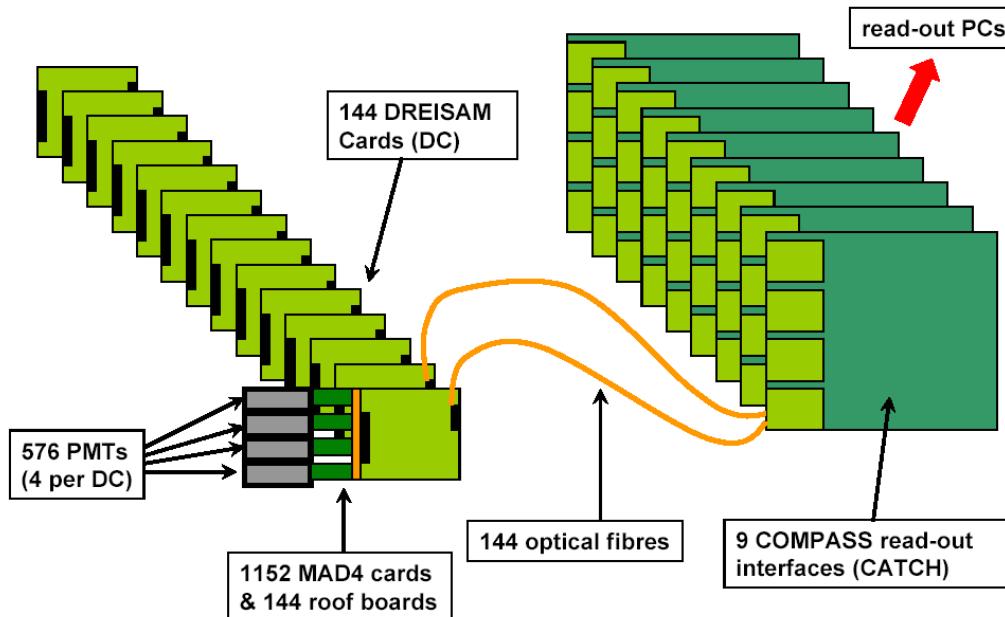
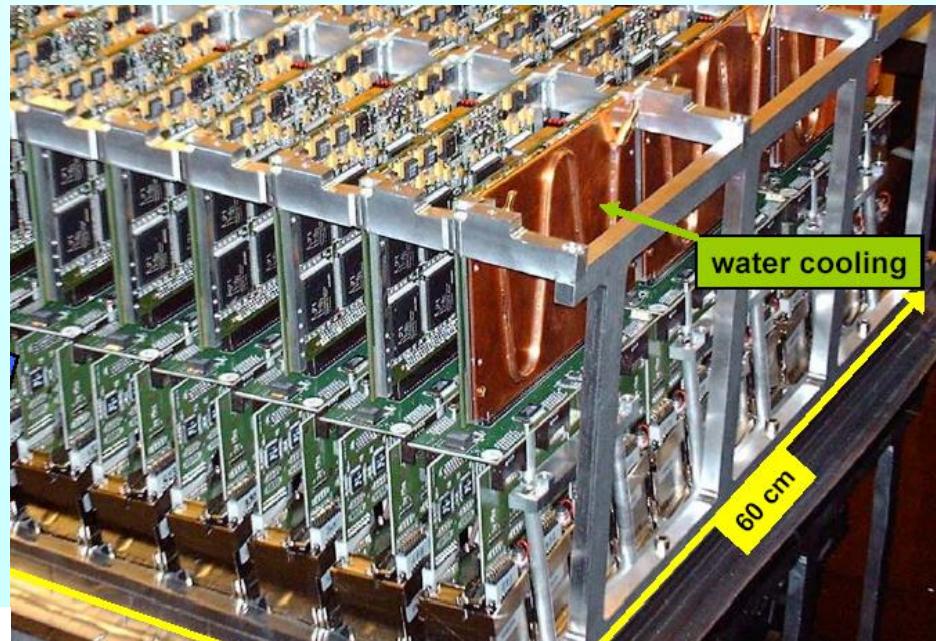
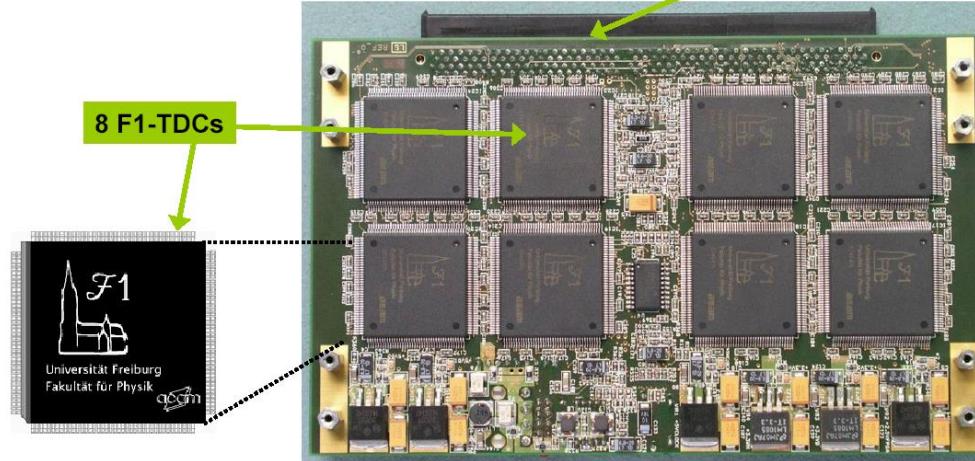


Digital read-out electronics: DREISAM card

- 64 channels per card, compact solution
- optical data transfer (40 MByte/s)
- high rates per channel 10 MHz @ 100 kHz trigger rate
- time resolution < 120 ps
- based on dead time free F1-TDC

complete digitalisation
on the detector

Connector to MAD4

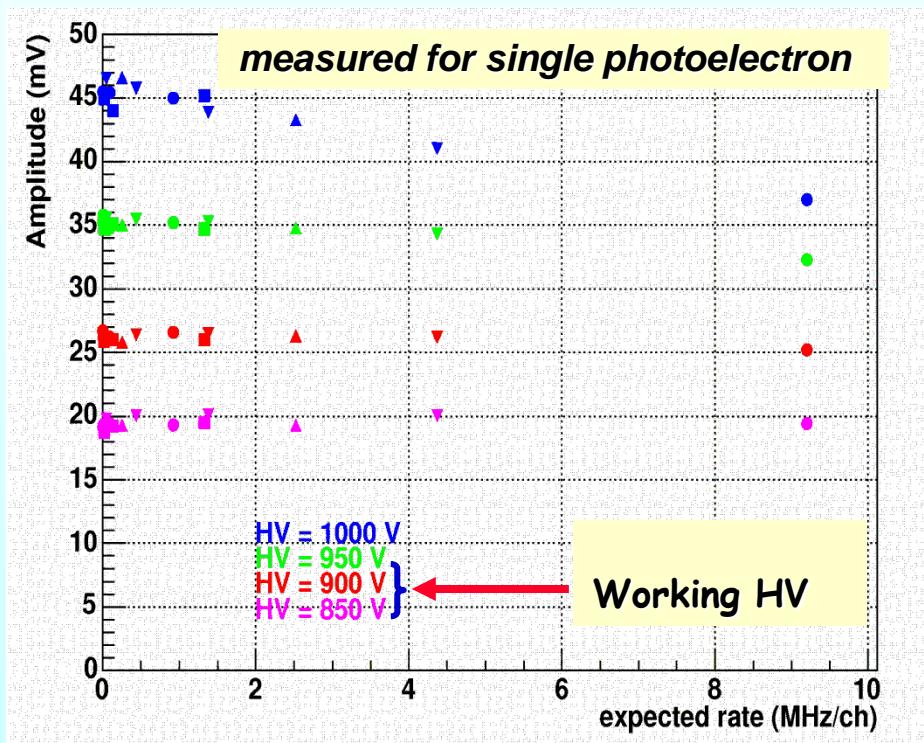


MAPMT GAIN AT HIGH RATE

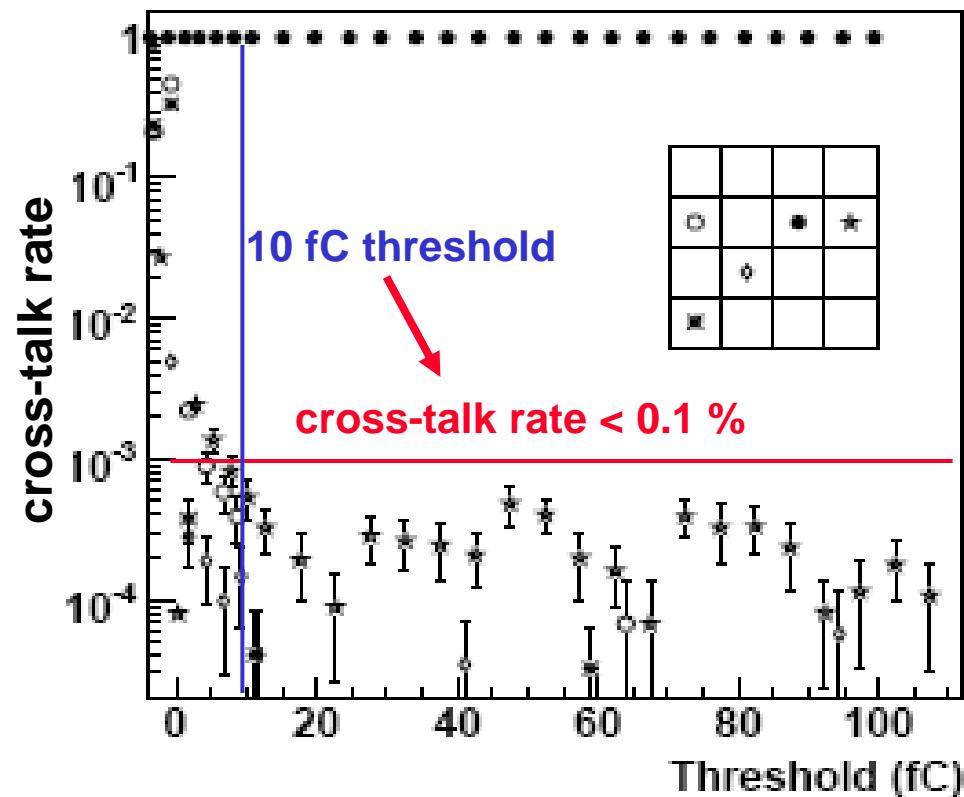
mean signal amplitude versus rate/pixel

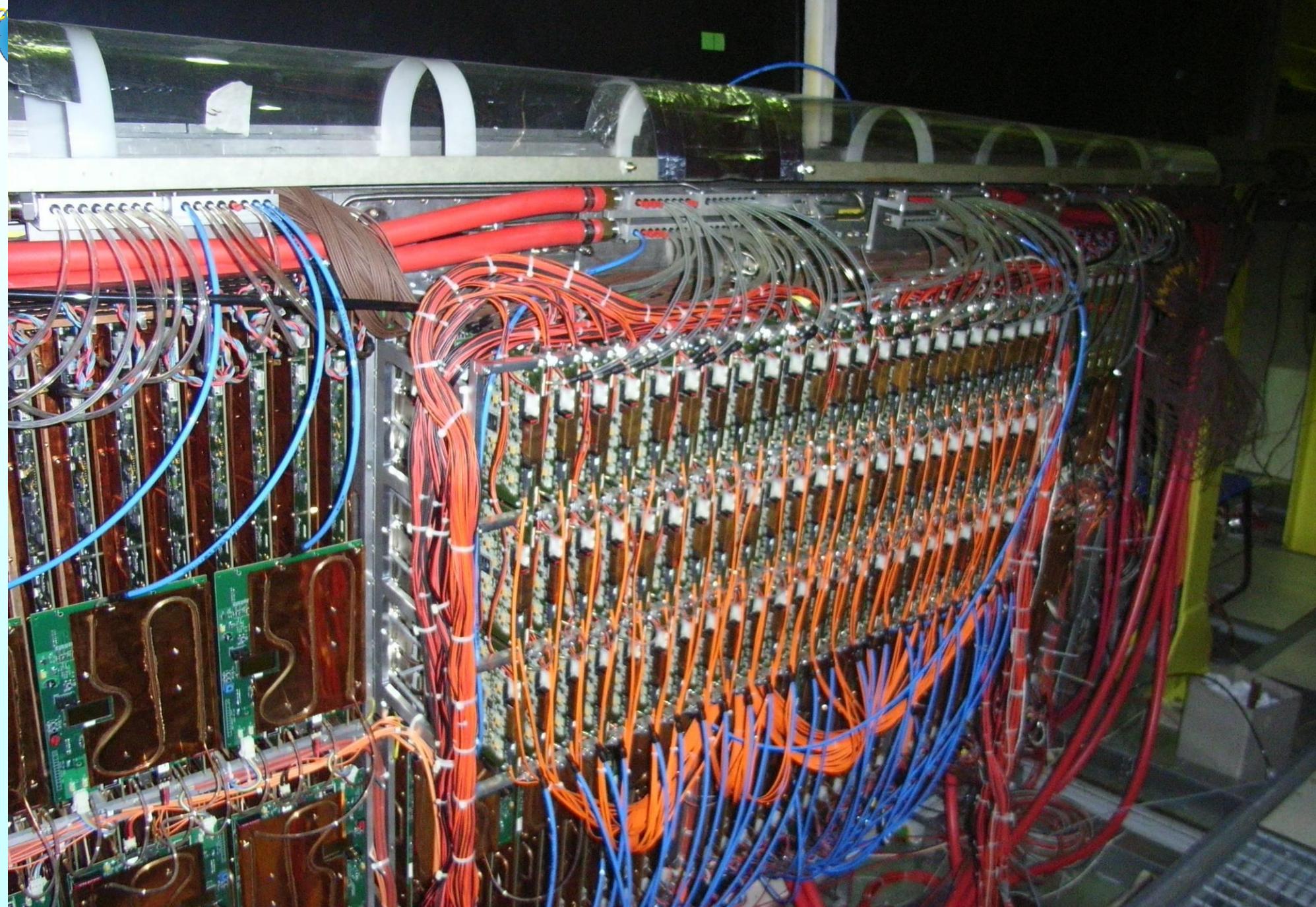
pulsed light source synchronous to trigger +
random background from lamp

AND
CROSS-TALK RATE

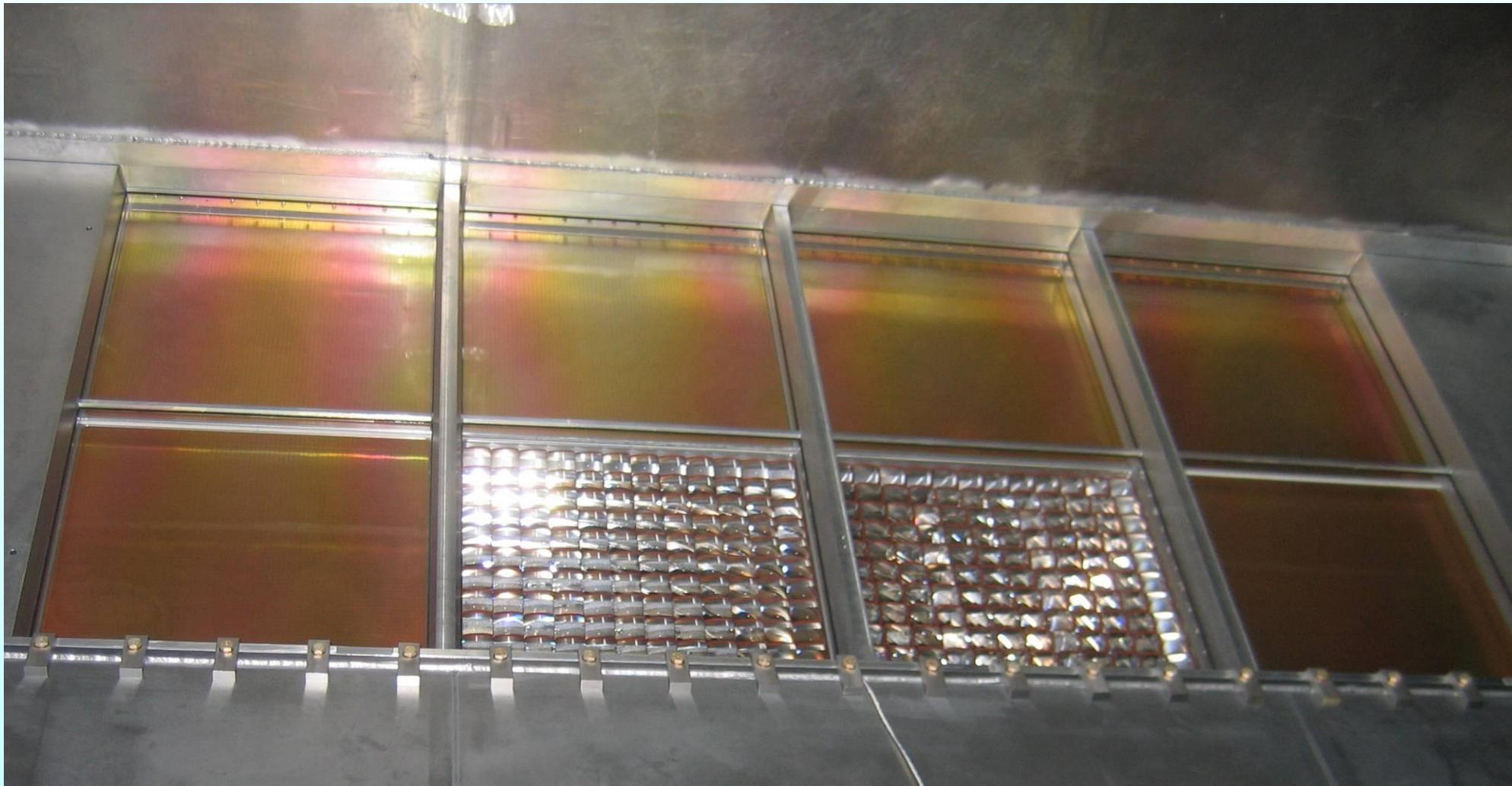


operate with single photoelectron
rates up to 5MHz/pixel

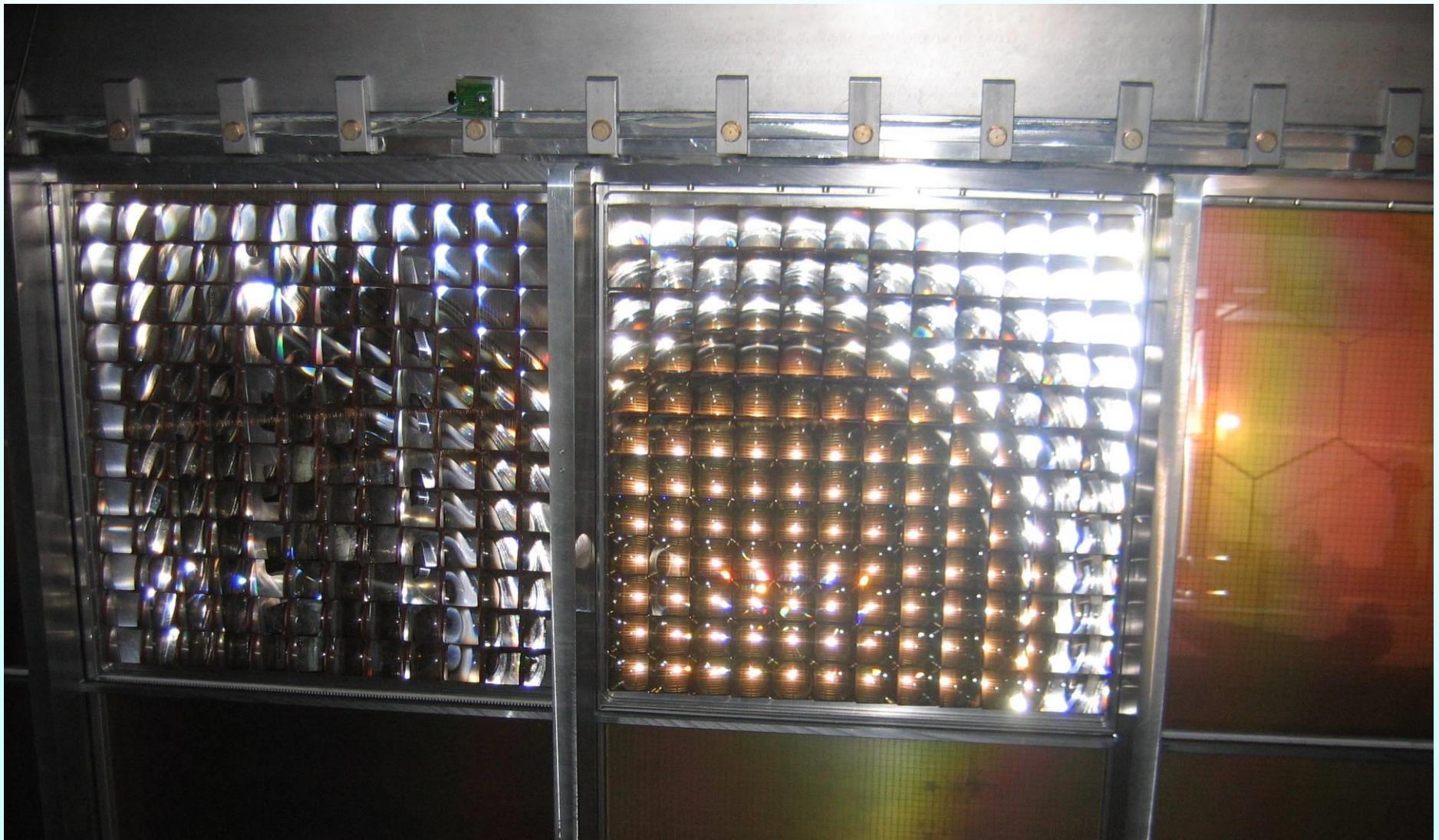




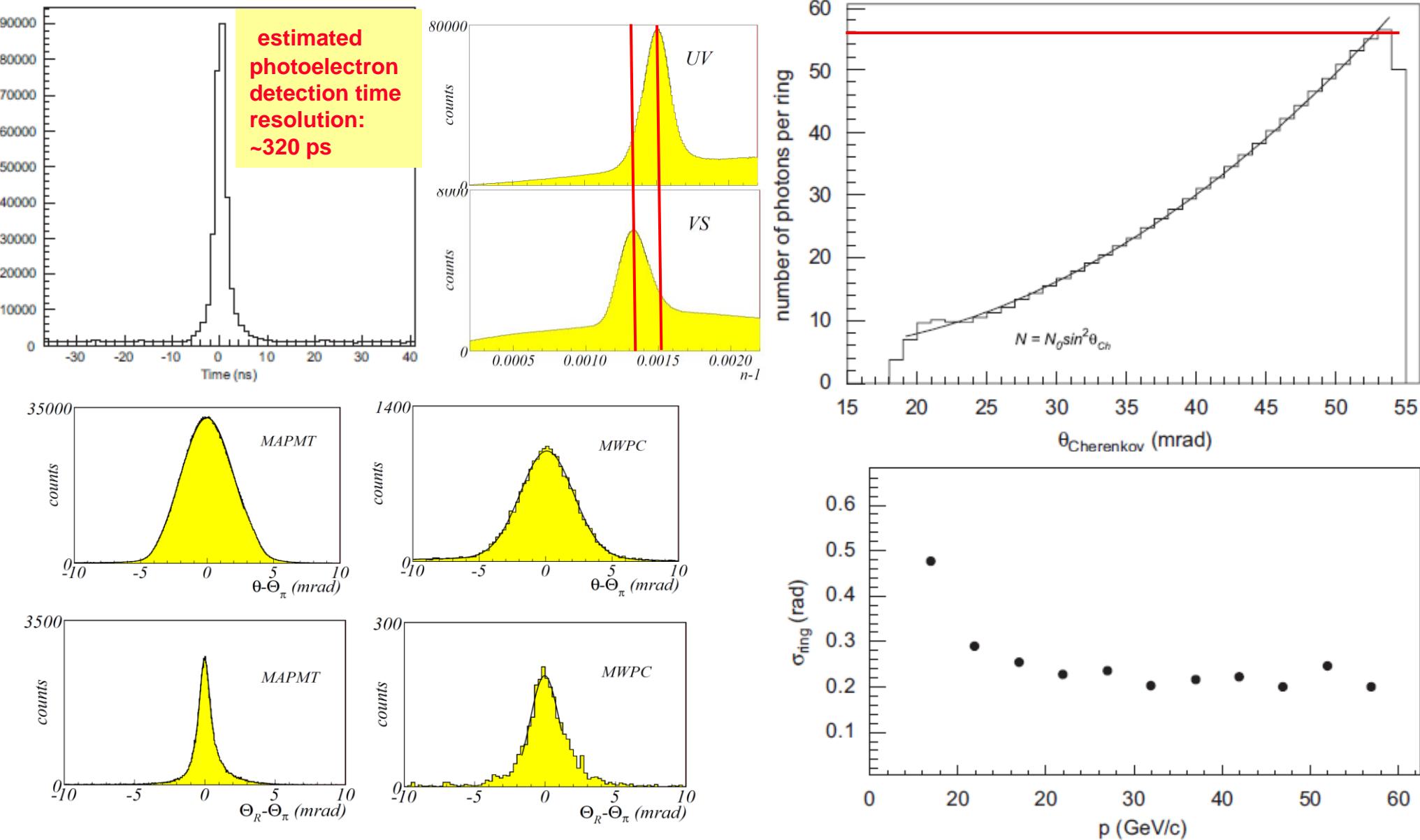
The Upper Detector from inside



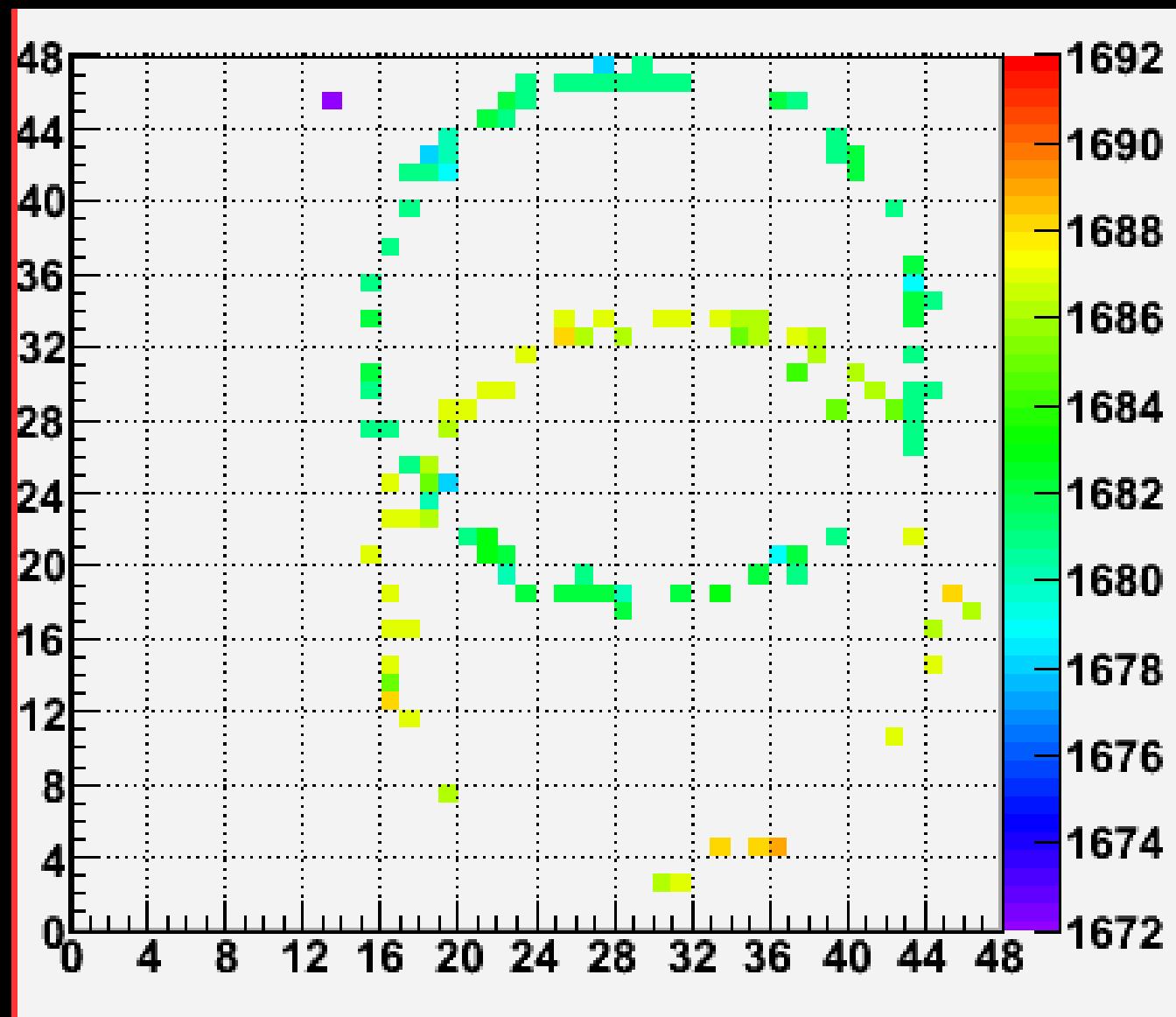
The central part of the lower detector



number of photons and resolutions



time resolution is useful for correctly assigning hits to rings



PID from the likelihood function

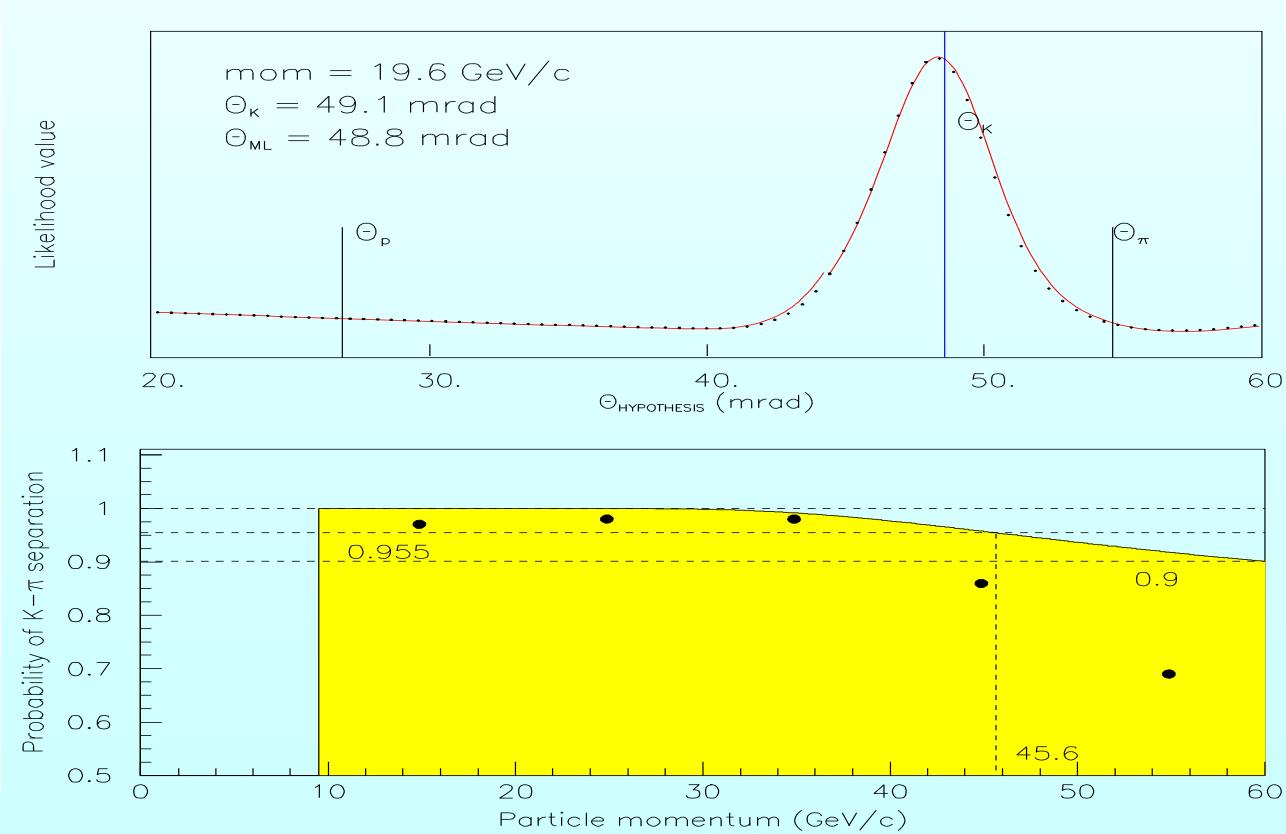
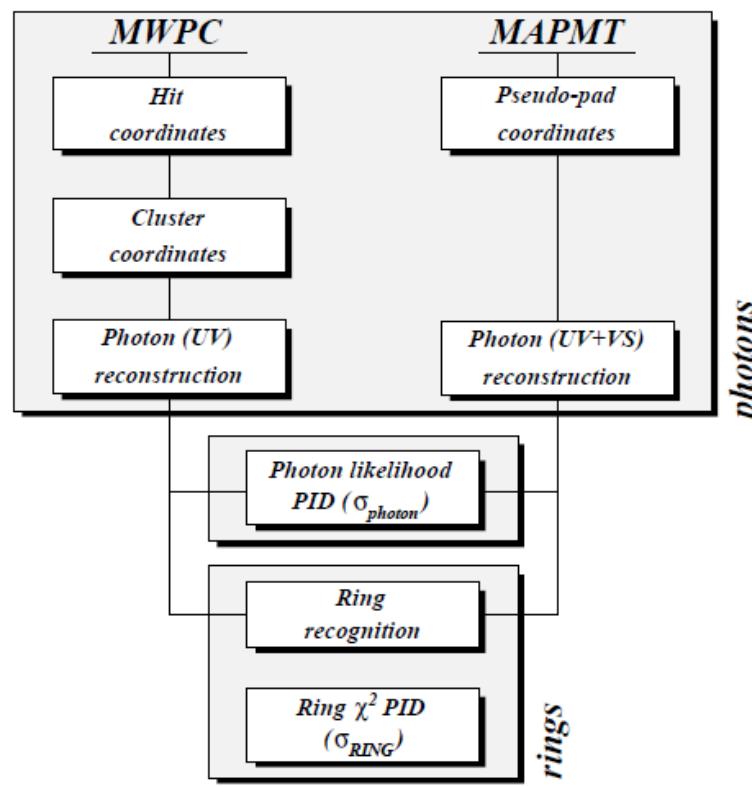
PID relies on a Likelihood function, built from all the photons associated to the particle

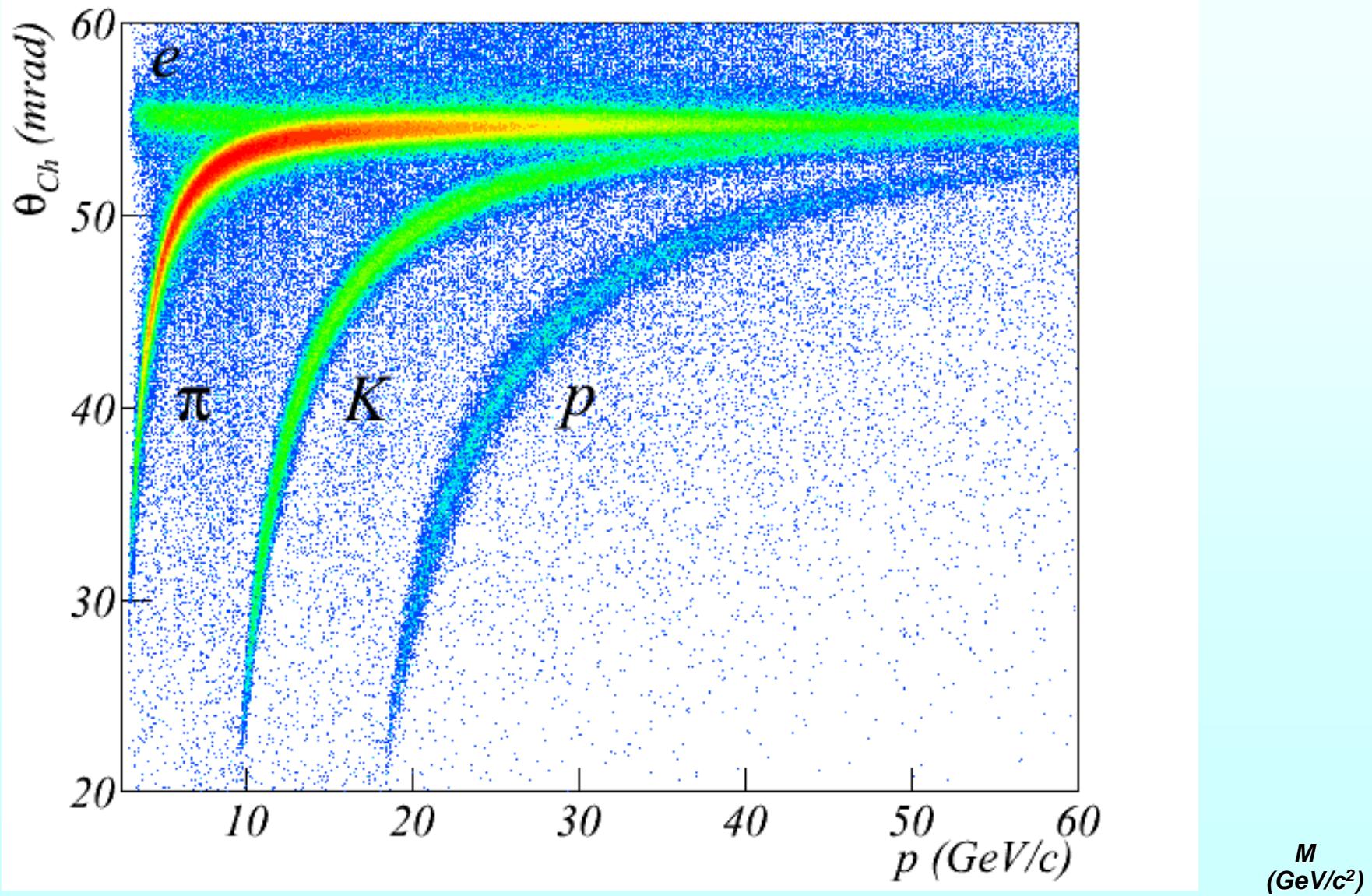
no reference to a reconstructed ring

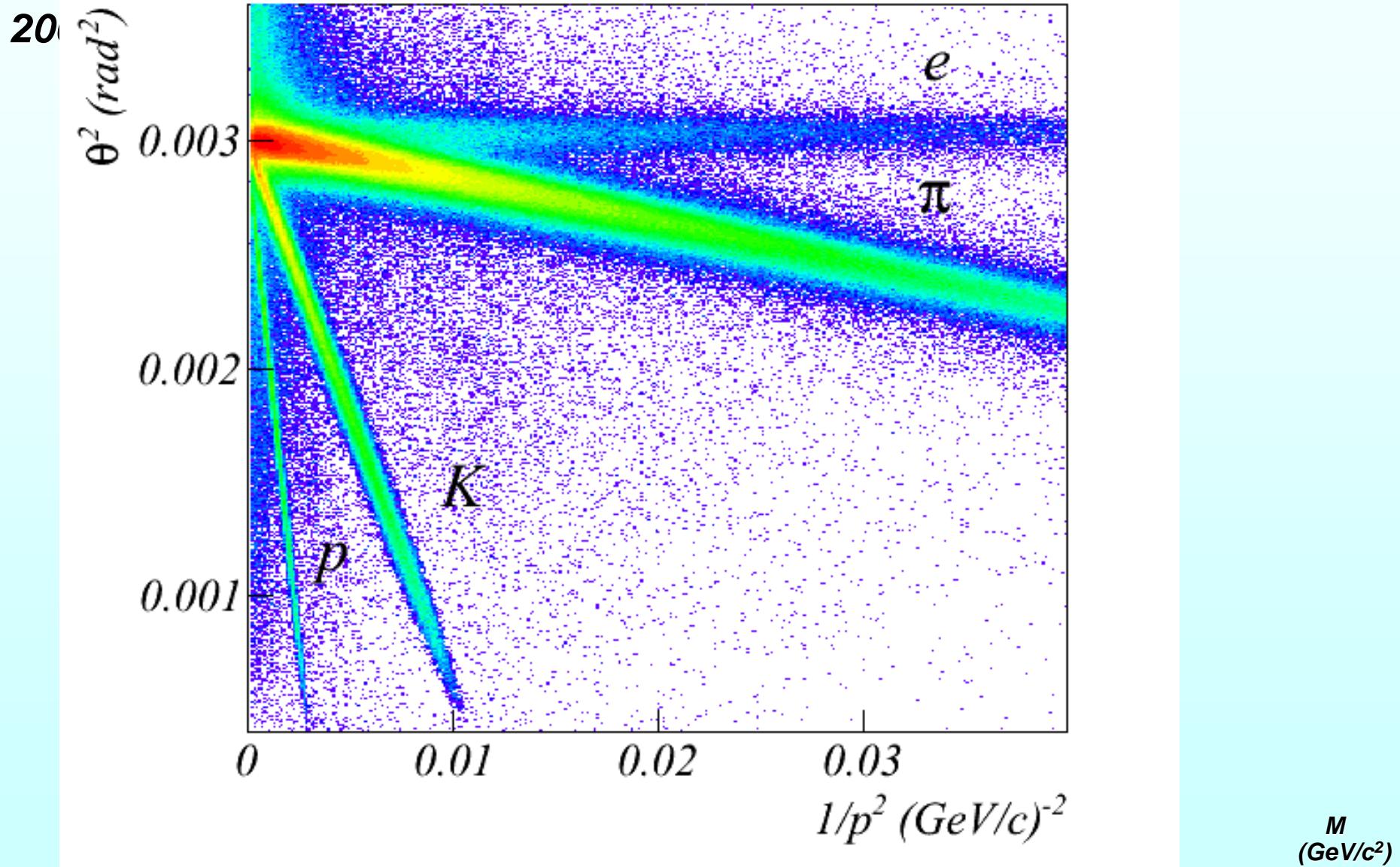
$$L_M = \prod_{j=1}^N \frac{s_M(\theta_j, \varphi_j) + b(\theta_j, \varphi_j)}{S_M + B}$$

Computed for

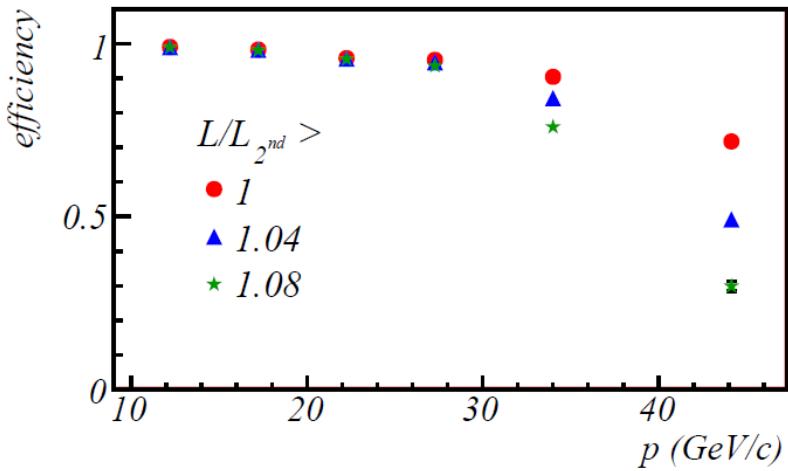
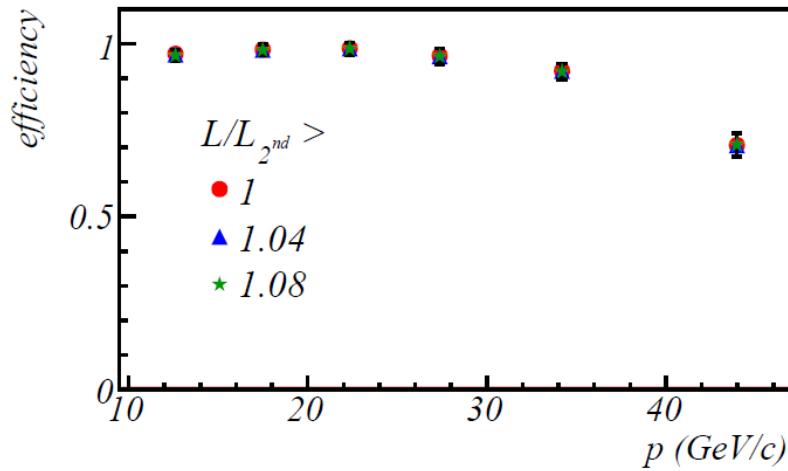
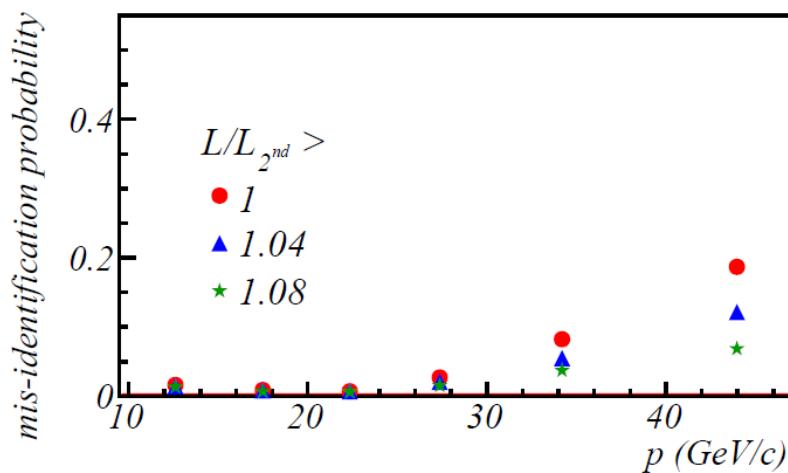
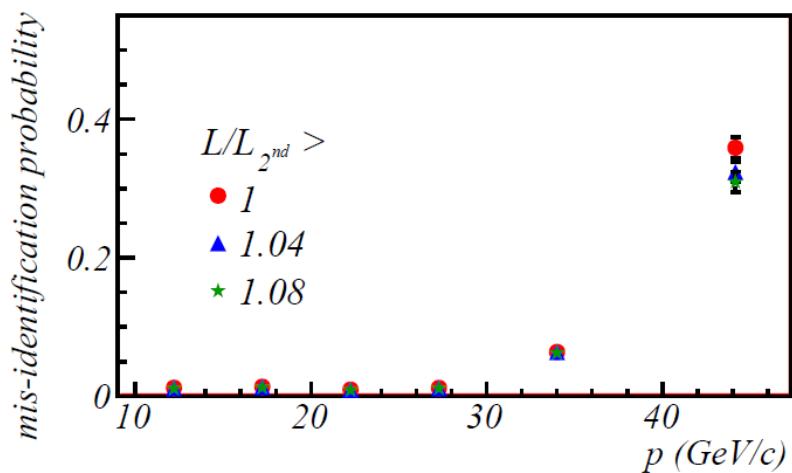
5 mass hypothesis $M = e, \mu, \pi, K, p$,
+ background hypothesis (no signal)



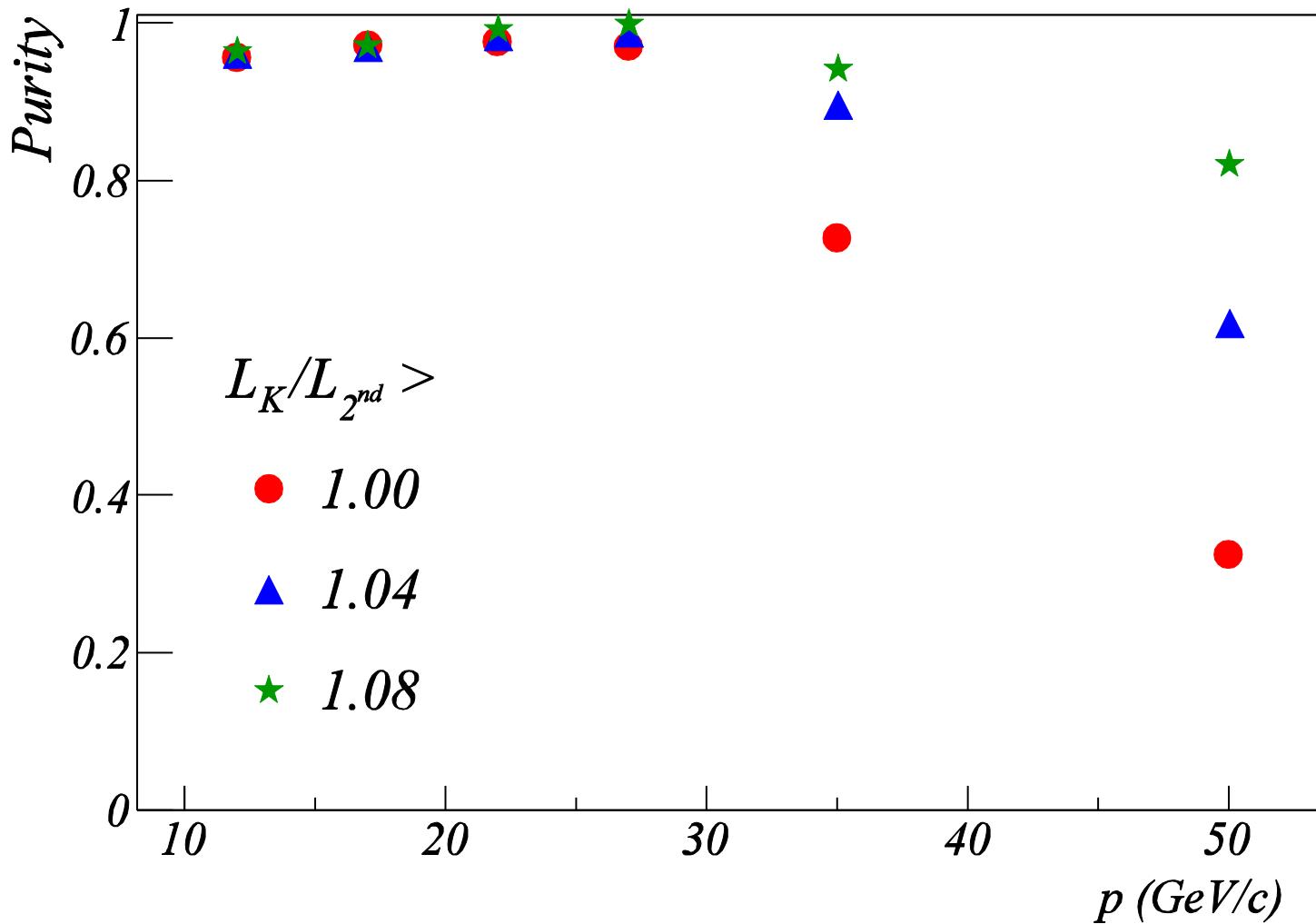




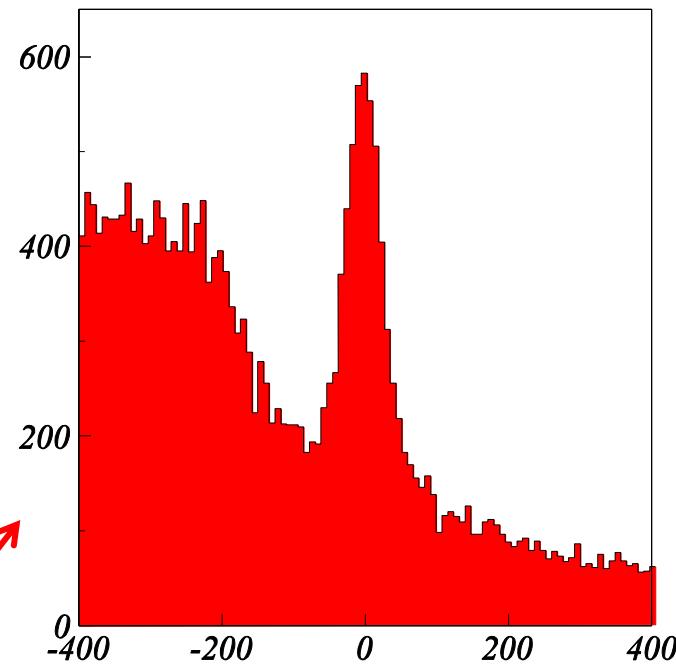
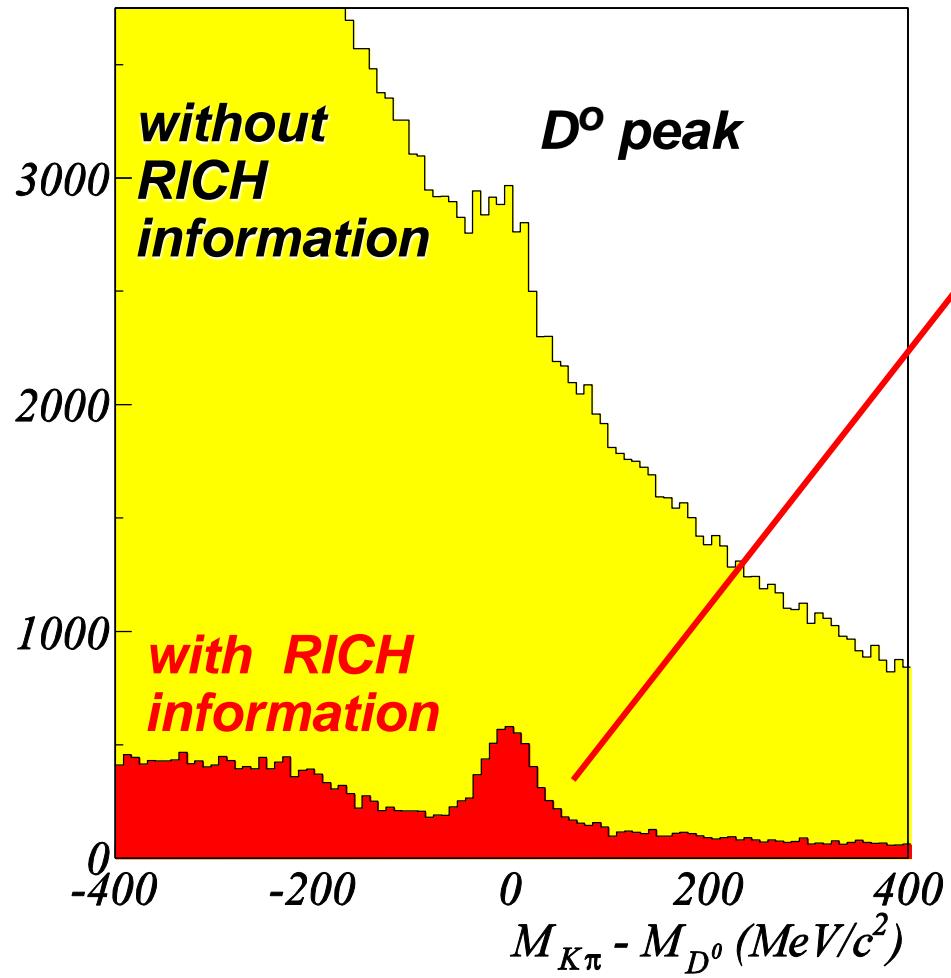
Identification and misidentification probability

 $\pi \rightarrow \pi$

 $K \rightarrow K$

 $\pi \rightarrow K$


Purity of K samples



RICH PID information in the D^0 analysis



Study of long term CsI QE variations

M. Alexeev et al, 2014 JINST 9 P01006

Principle:

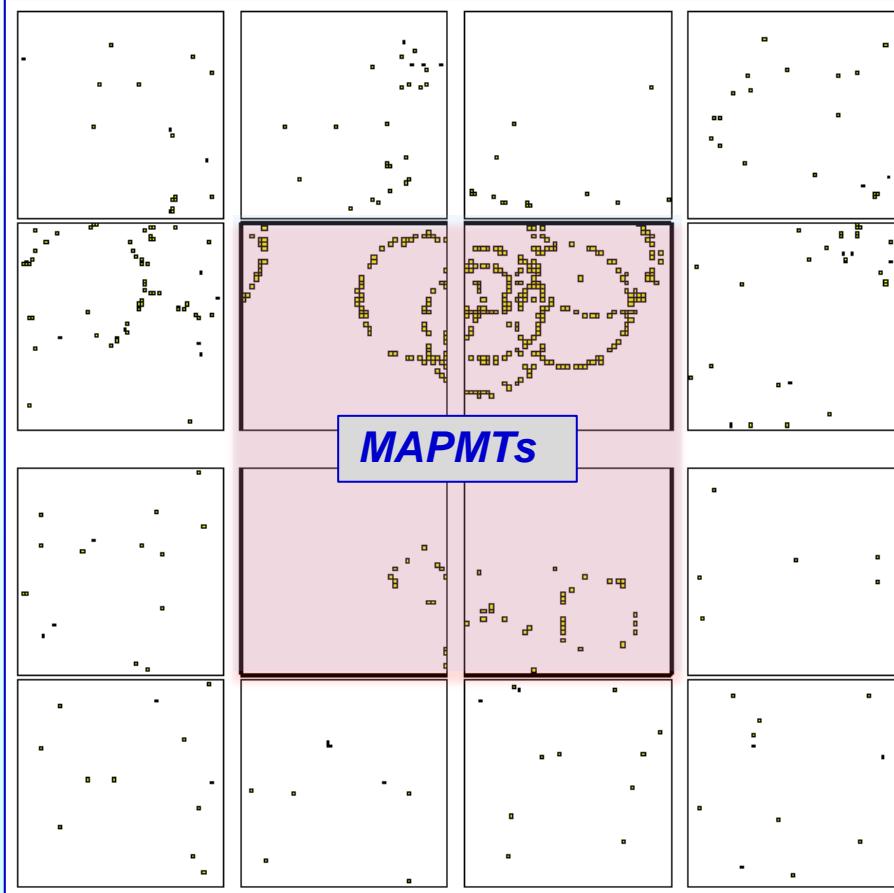
Extract the mean number of detected photons per particle from the data collected during six years of COMPASS data taking

6 consecutive years of COMPASS data taking

up to 15 days of data taking per sample

identical cuts applied to the reconstructed particle trajectories (track quality)

YEAR	BEAM	BEAM MOMENTUM (GeV/c)
2006	mu	160
2007	mu	160
2008	h (pion)	190
2009	h (pion)	190
2010	mu	160
2011	mu	200



**RATES IN THE EXTERNAL DETECTORS
during SPS spills:**

Photoelectrons < 10 Hz / cm²

MIPs < 10 Hz / cm²

→ Integrated charge over 6 years < 10 μ C/cm²

Data selection, correction and fit

only identified π 's

only rings fully contained in a single cathode

count N_{ph} (detected photons) of each ring

(background cannot be disentangled at this stage)

1 mrad wide θ_{Ch} bins $\rightarrow N = \langle N_{ph} \rangle$

Cherenkov photons : Poisson distribution

\rightarrow detected photons : Poisson distribution

at least 1 detected photon

\rightarrow measured N is biased, corrected

$$\mu' (nc = 1) = \frac{\mu}{1 - e^{-\mu}}$$

measured: μ'

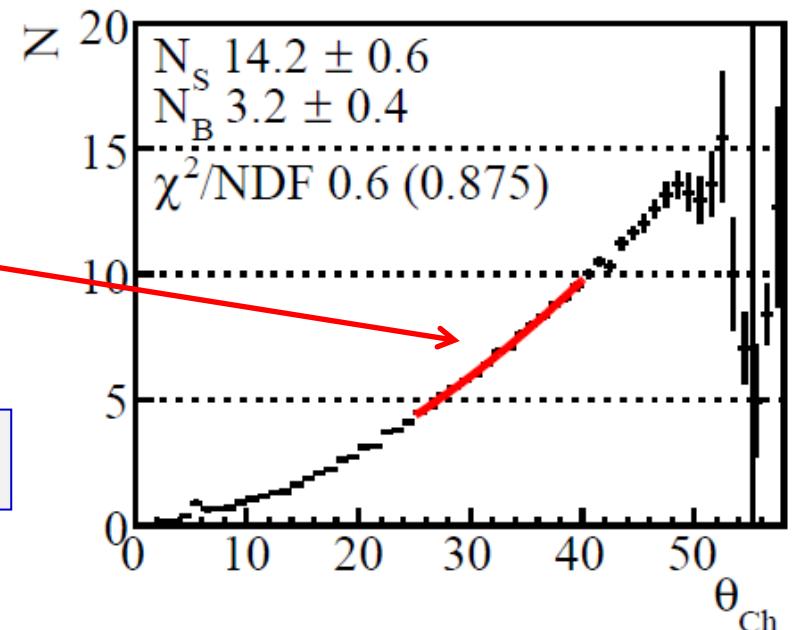
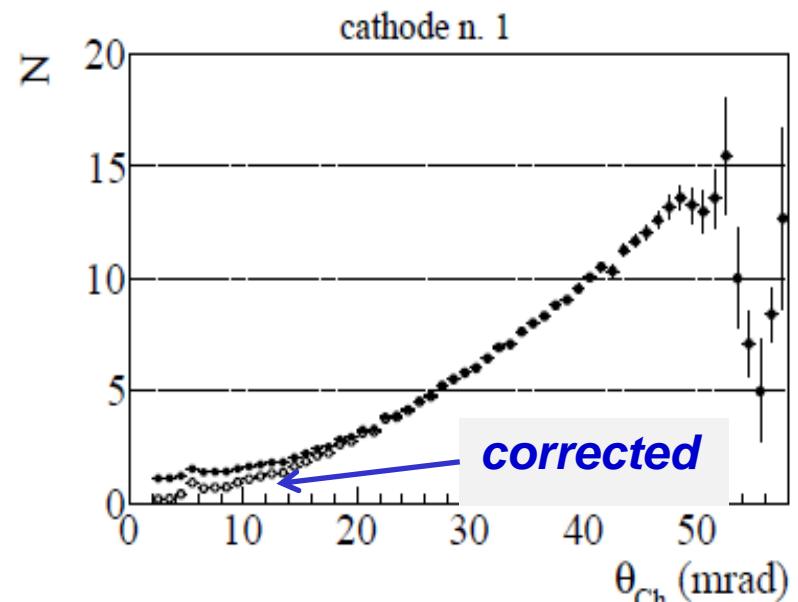
μ solving numerically the equation

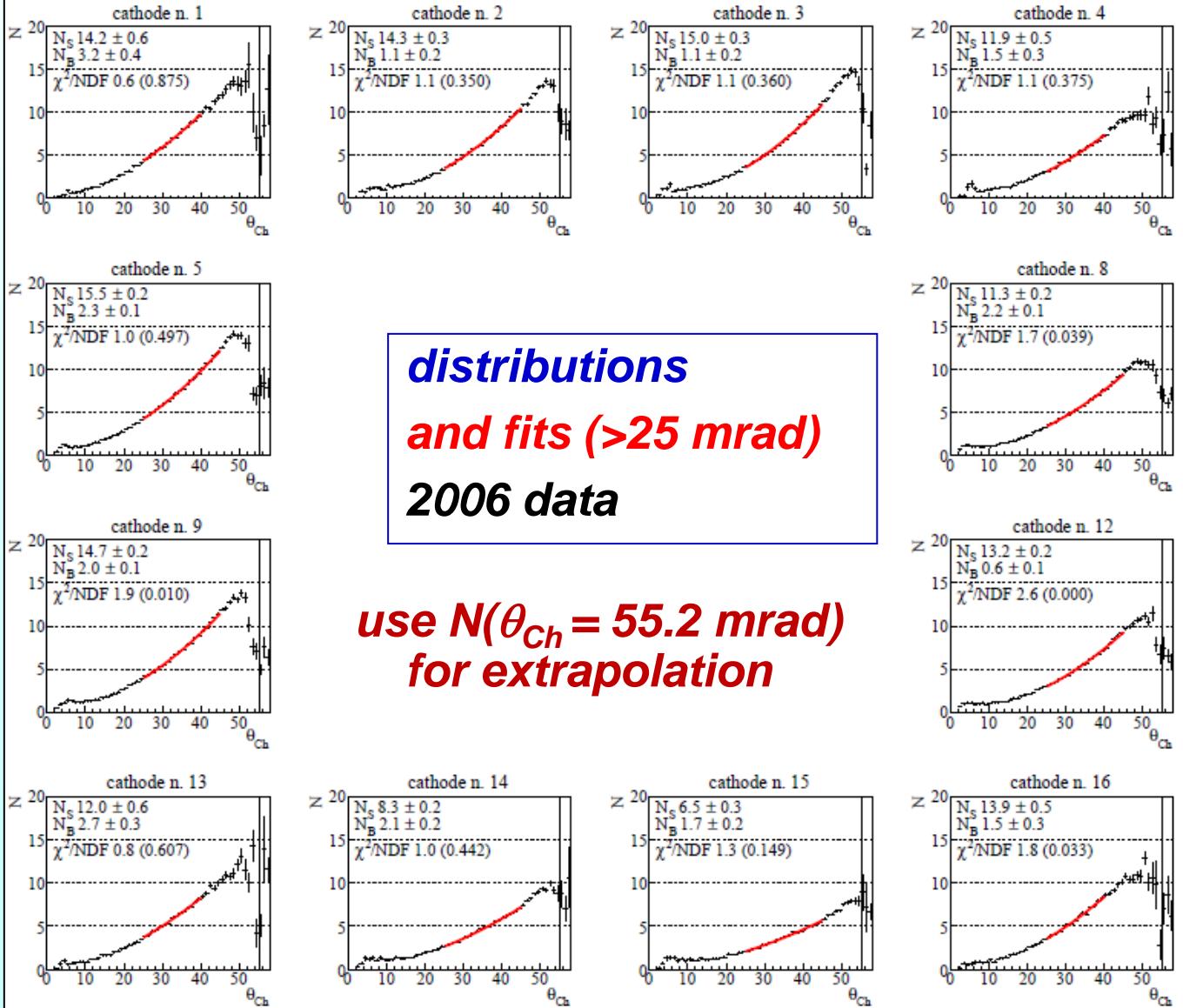
FIT THE DISTRIBUTION:

$$N(\theta_{Ch}) = p_0 \cdot \sin^2 \theta_{Ch} + p_1 \cdot \theta_{Ch}$$

Frank and Tamm
distribution

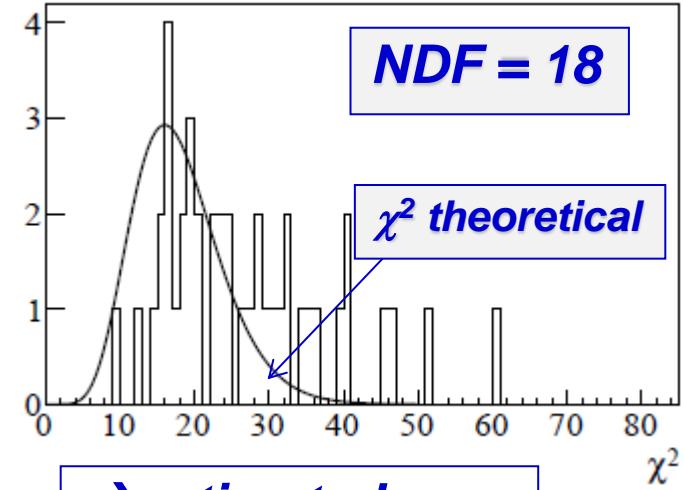
Background (flat
distribution assumed)





**distributions
and fits (>25 mrad)
2006 data**

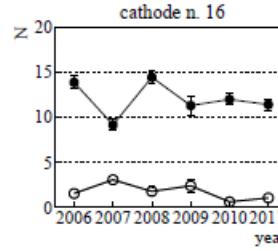
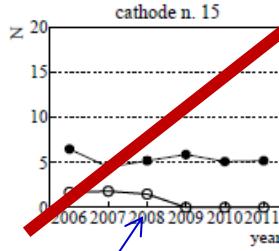
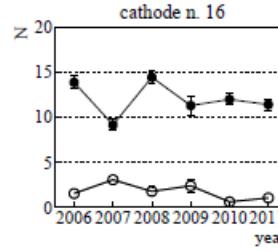
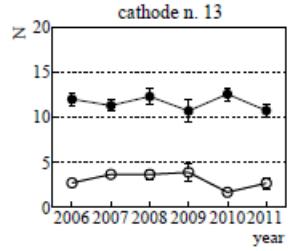
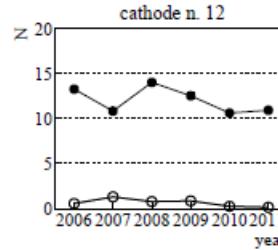
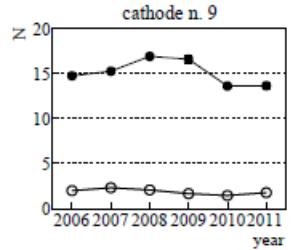
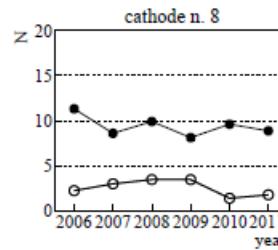
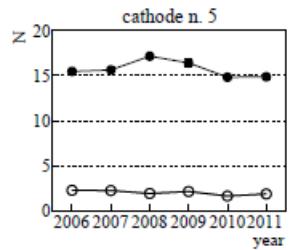
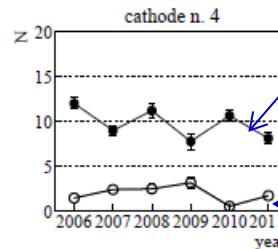
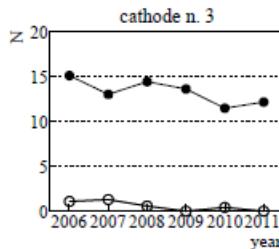
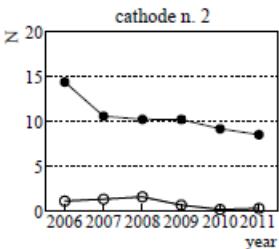
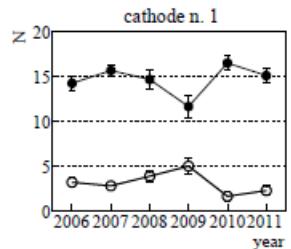
**use $N(\theta_{Ch} = 55.2 \text{ mrad})$
for extrapolation**



**→estimated
systematic error:
 $0.7 \times \sigma_{\text{stat}}$**

Fit results stable versus:

- fit range variations**
- different ring selection:
at least 2, 3 photons**

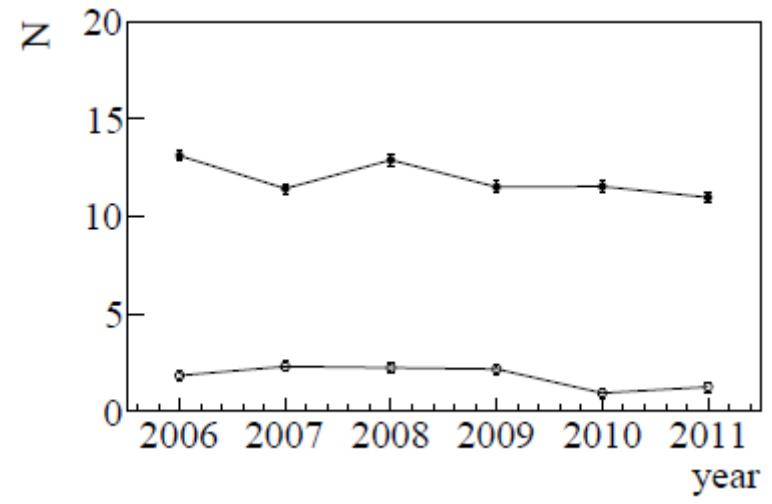


**$N(\theta_{Ch} = 55.2 \text{ mrad})$
vs year
(statistical errors)**

**Frank and
Tamm**

background

**MEAN OVER 11 CATHODES
(statistical & systematic
errors)**



**Too few photons:
not used in the following**

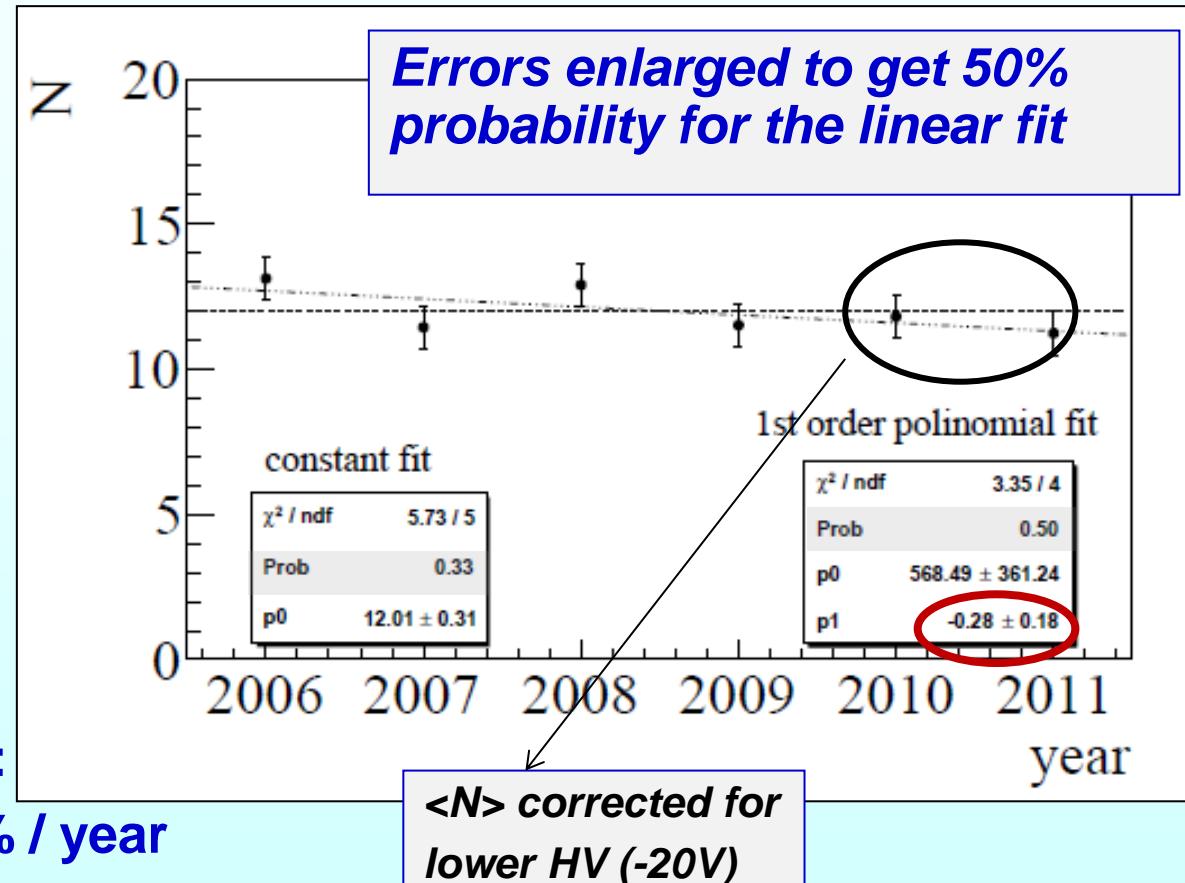
$\langle N \rangle$ vs year is compatible with no CsI QE variation

max CsI QE variation rate : 2.3 % / year
[1 "COMPASS year" :
~6 months of data taking]

For the 3 most critical cathodes:

max CsI QE variation rate : 5.2 % / year

Estimated systematic error of the measurement: 2 % /year



The CsI QE decrease is modest



COMPASS II PID requirements



Exclusive meson production channels have low cross-section

Precision measurements require not just high efficiency but also very stable response

MWPC + CsI operate at low gain → depend on p, T, threshold and background stability
but we need precise comparison of data with different background levels

Reduction of systematics from photon detectors → larger gain and faster signals

PMTs not adequate because of large angular acceptance → only small demagnification factor of optical system allowed (large distortions); 5 m² of PMTs not affordable.

MPGD-based Photon Detectors are the best option

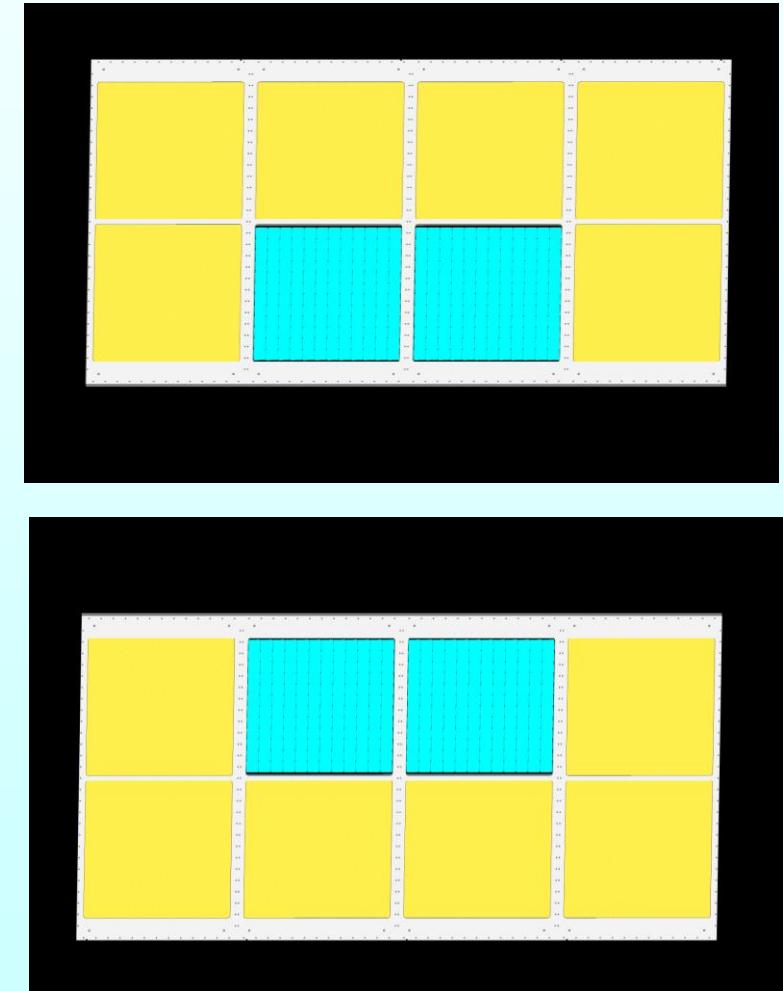
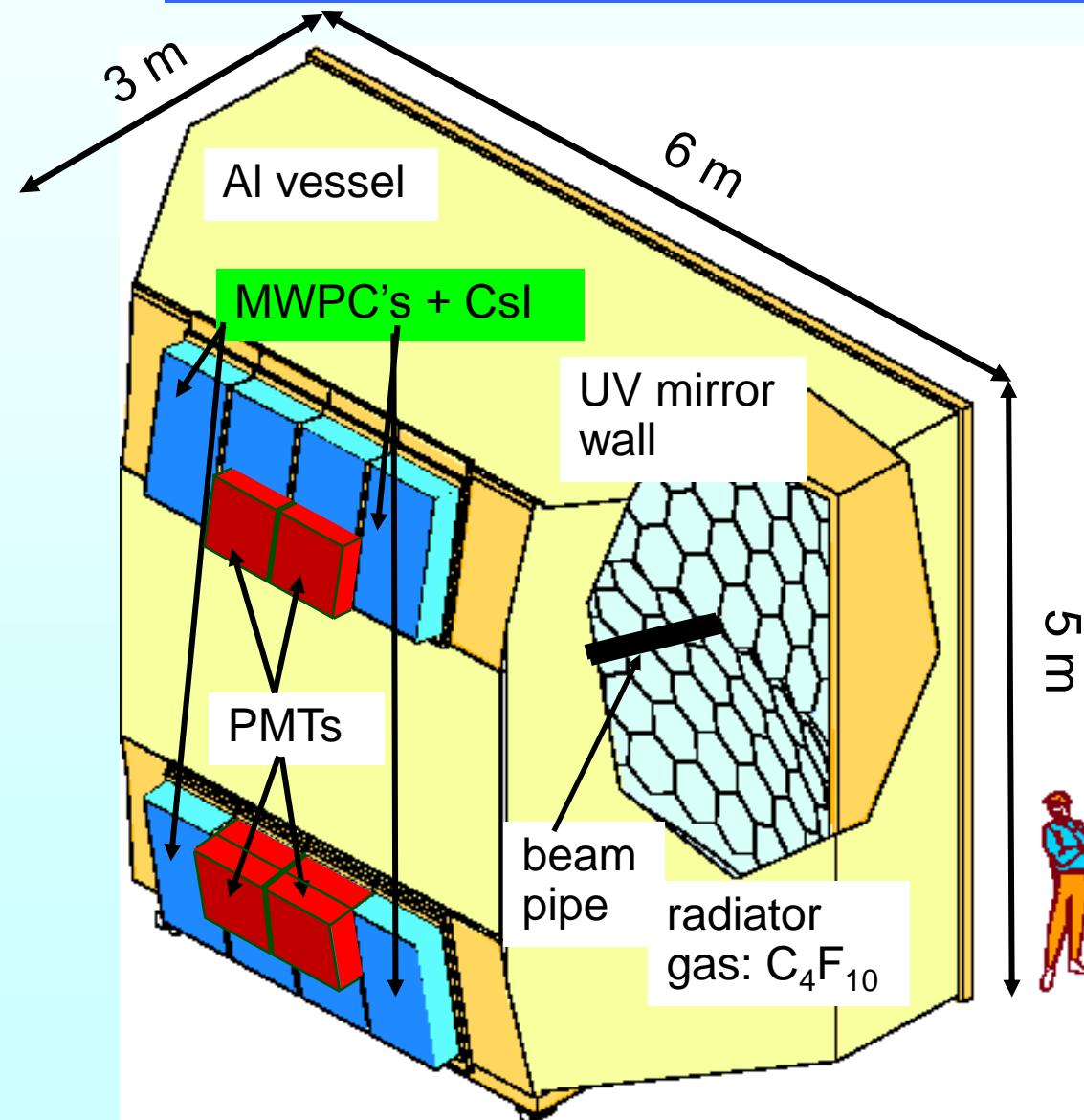
A dedicated R&D project to develop THGEM-based PDs started 6 years ago and recently achieved positive conclusions

The R&D status and progress will be presented by Stefano Levorato on Friday

We have decided to replace COMPASS RICH-1 MWPC's with the new detectors

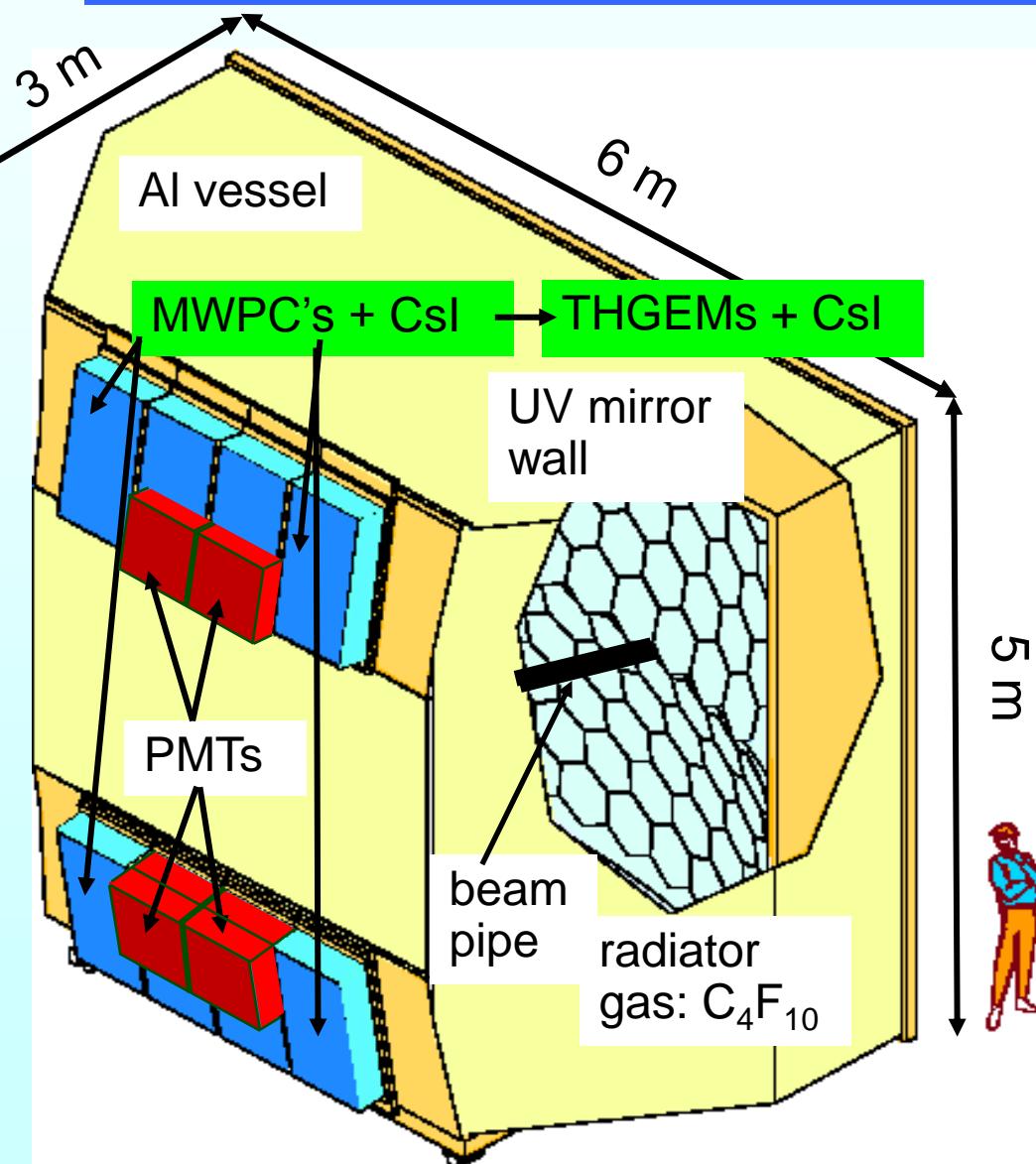


2016 COMPASS RICH-1 upgrade

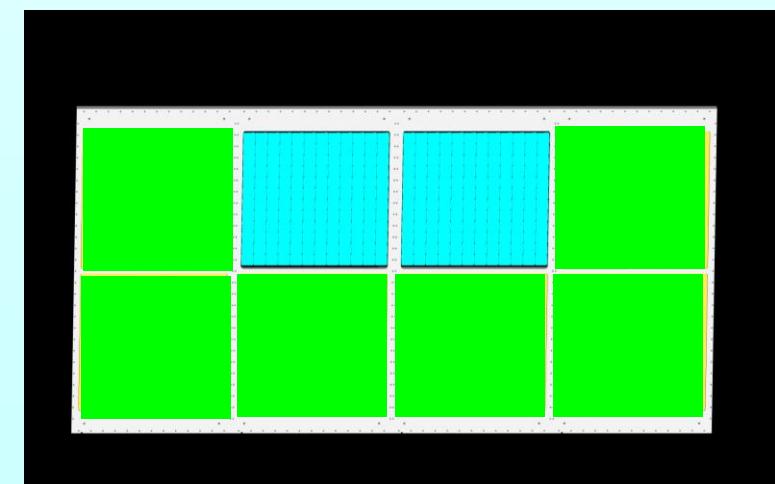
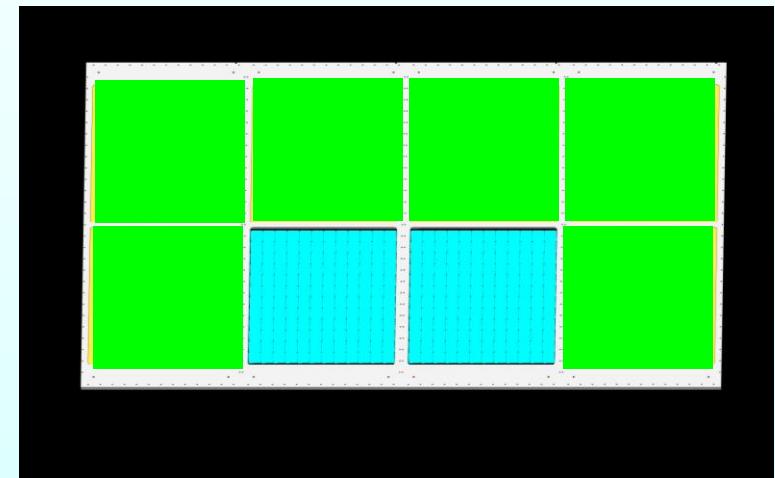




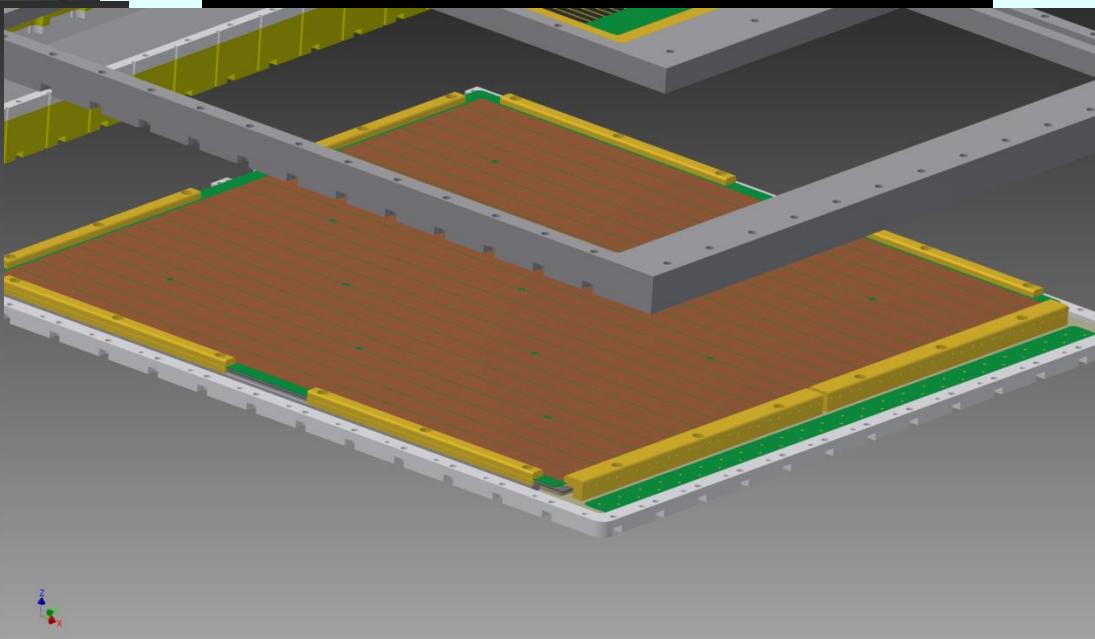
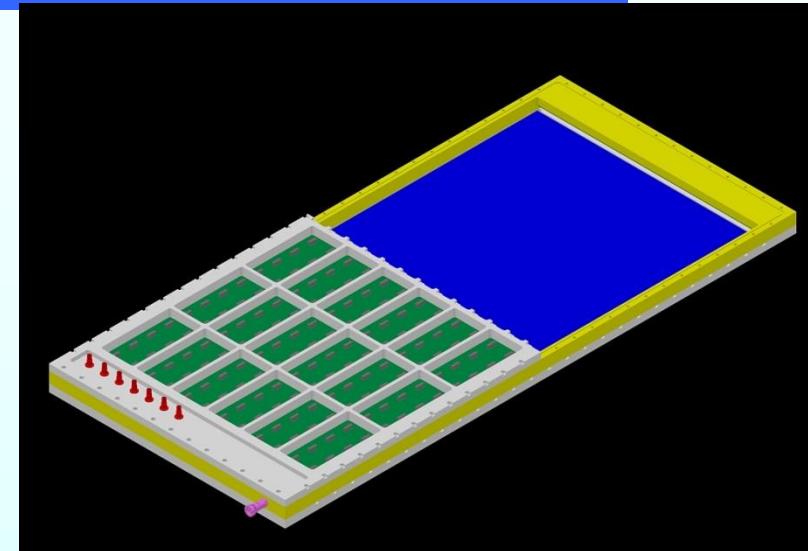
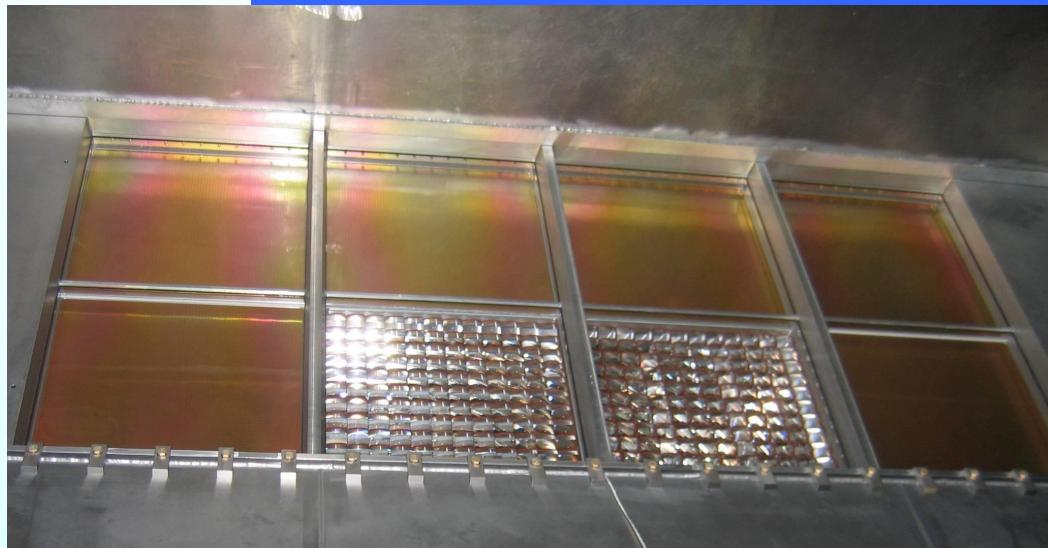
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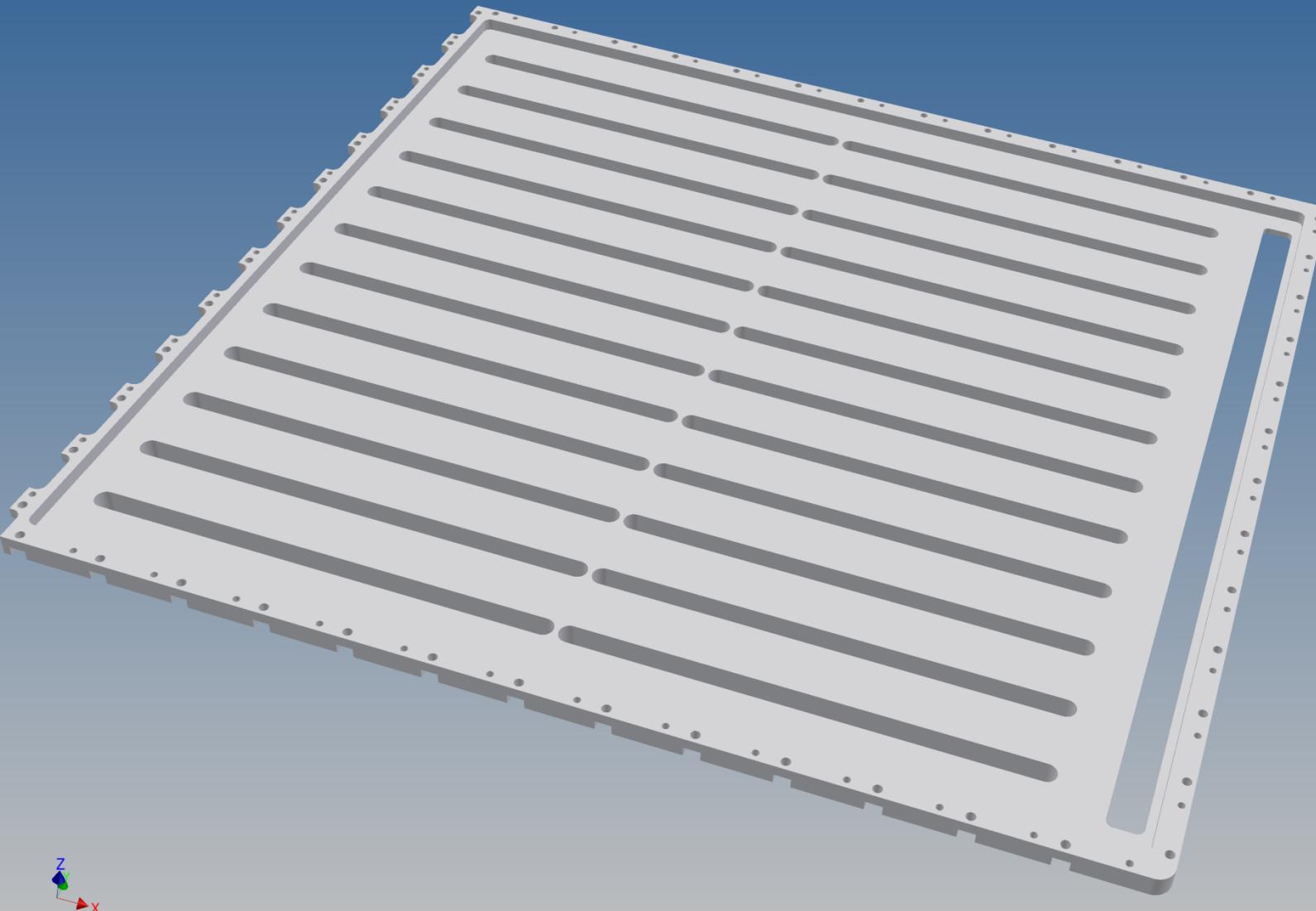
Foreseen for 2016-2017



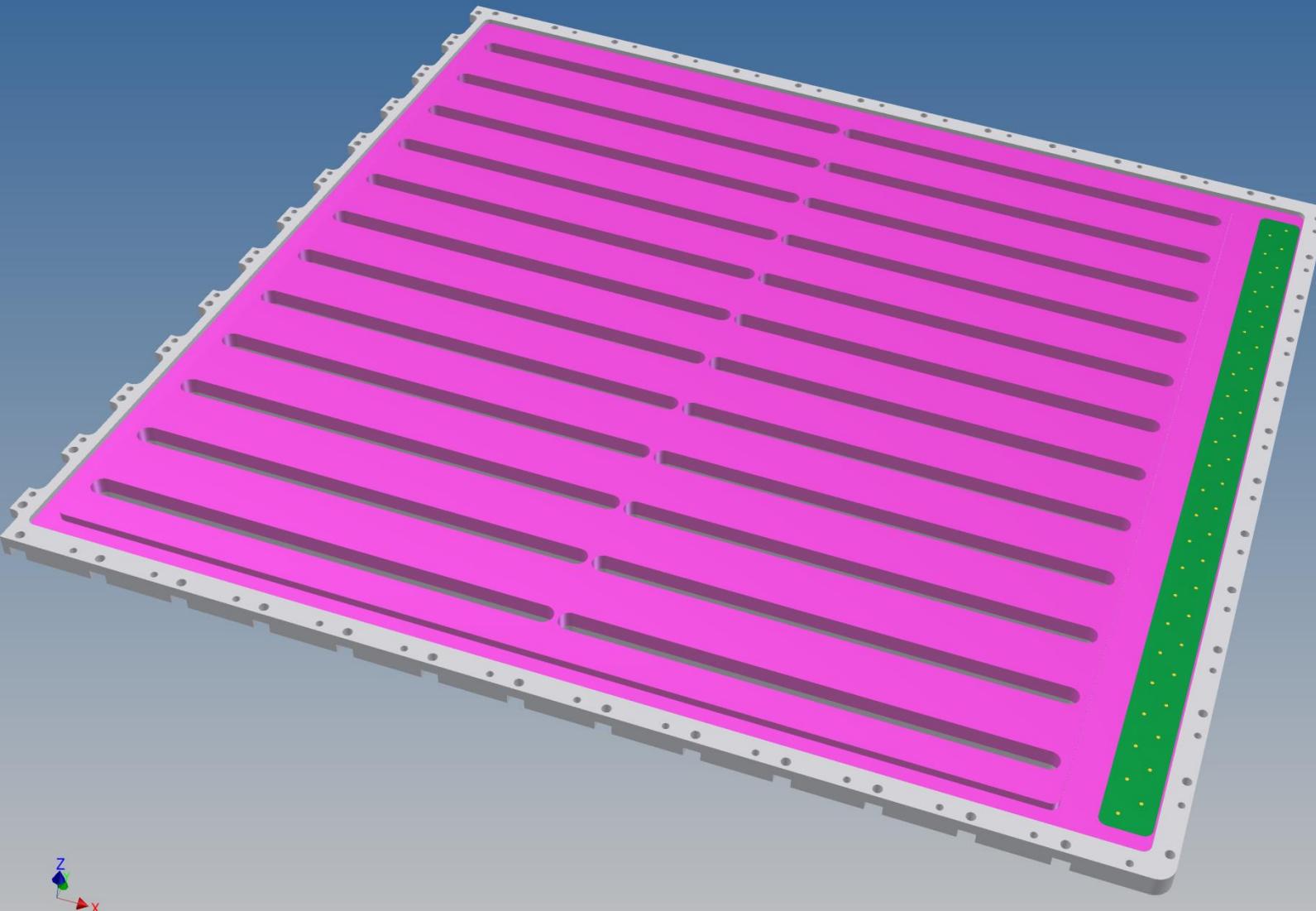
New PD's



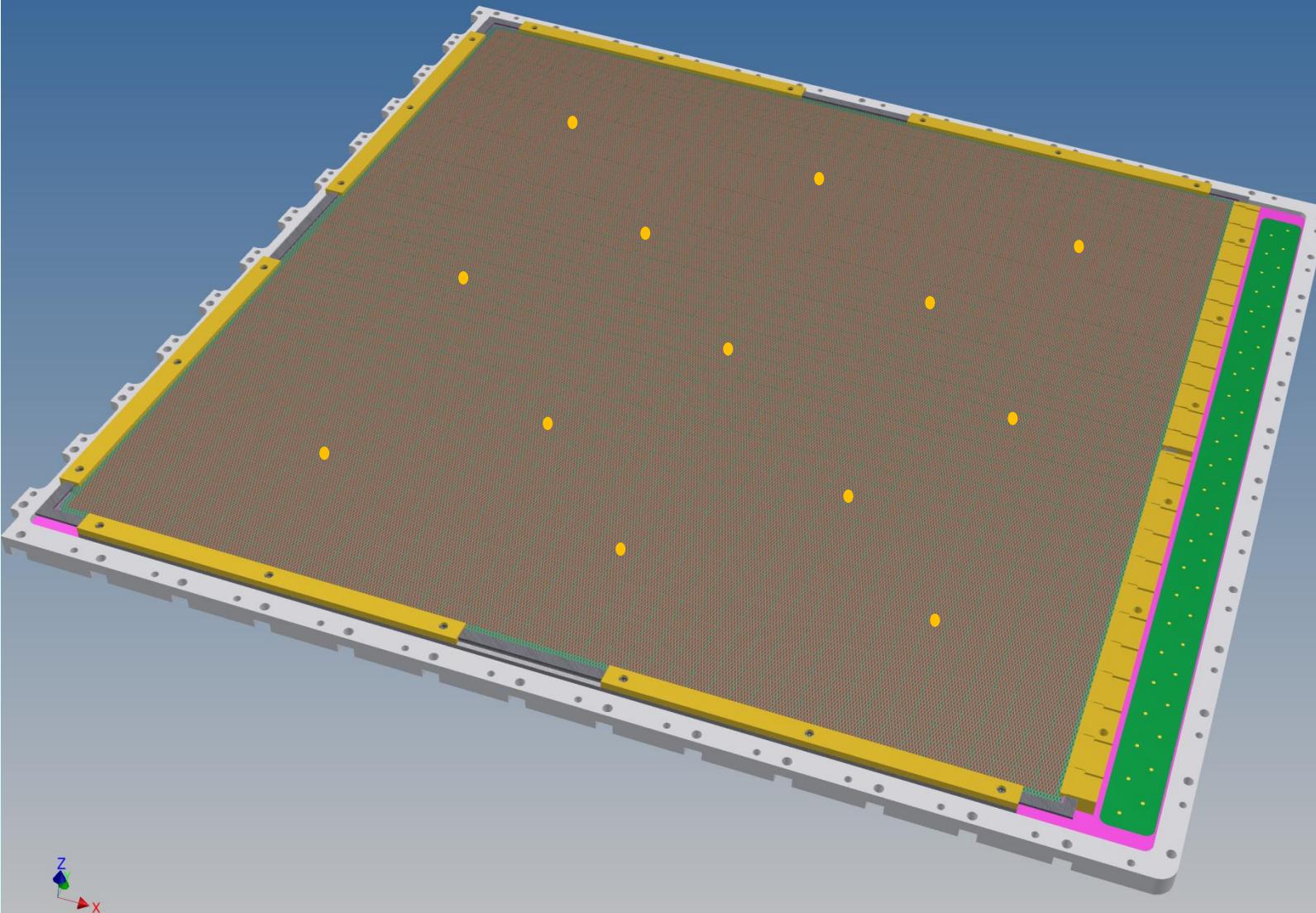
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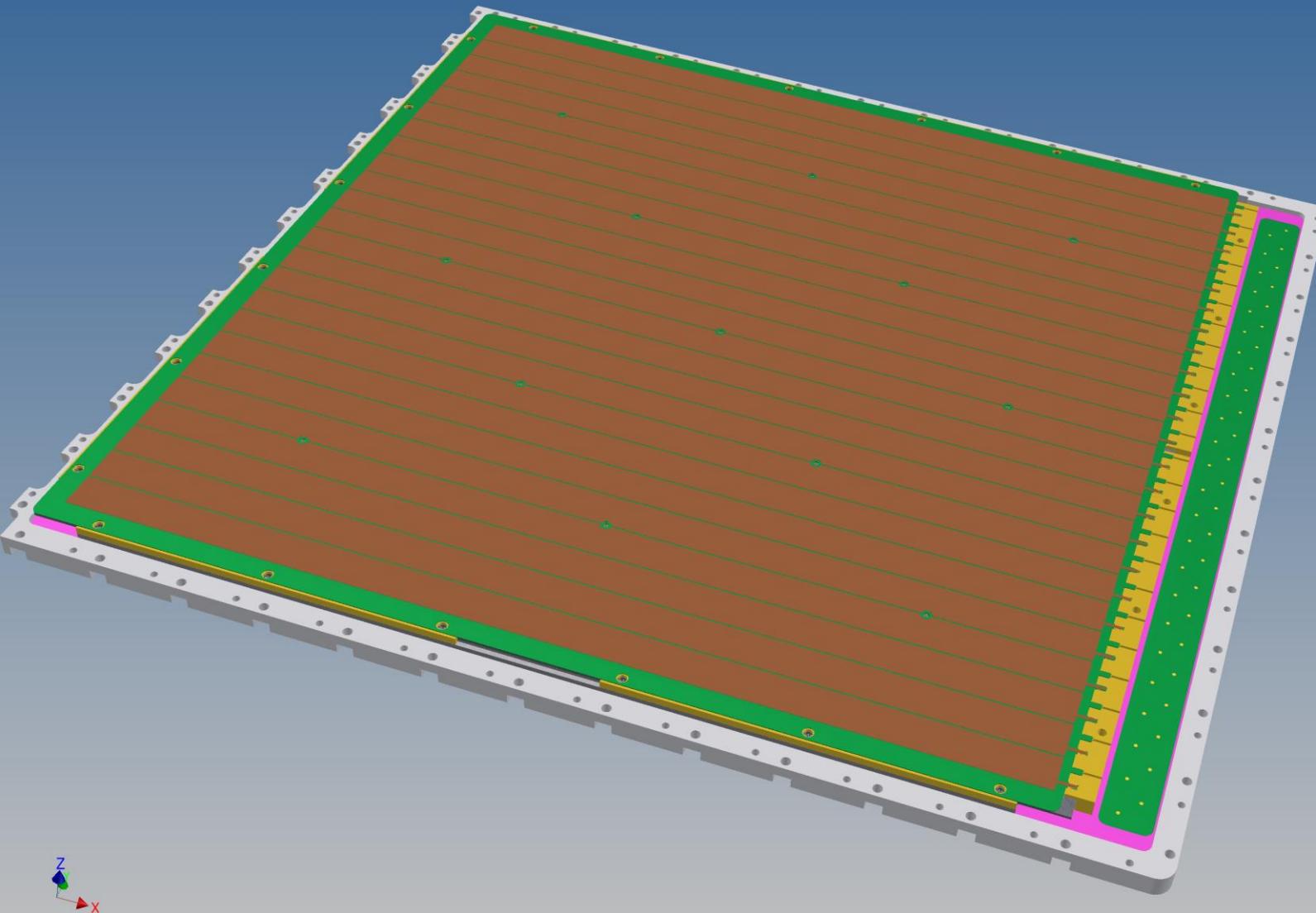
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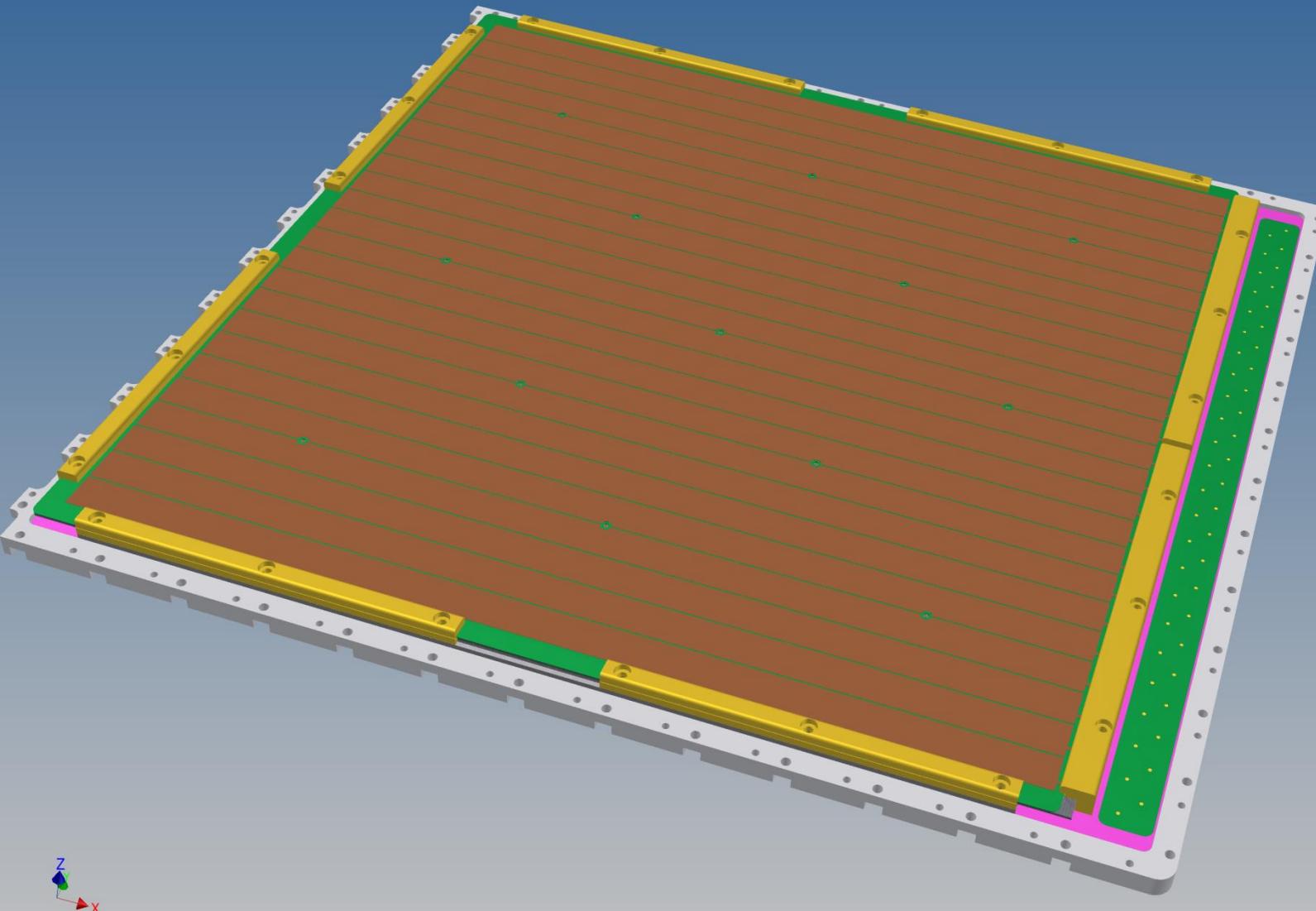
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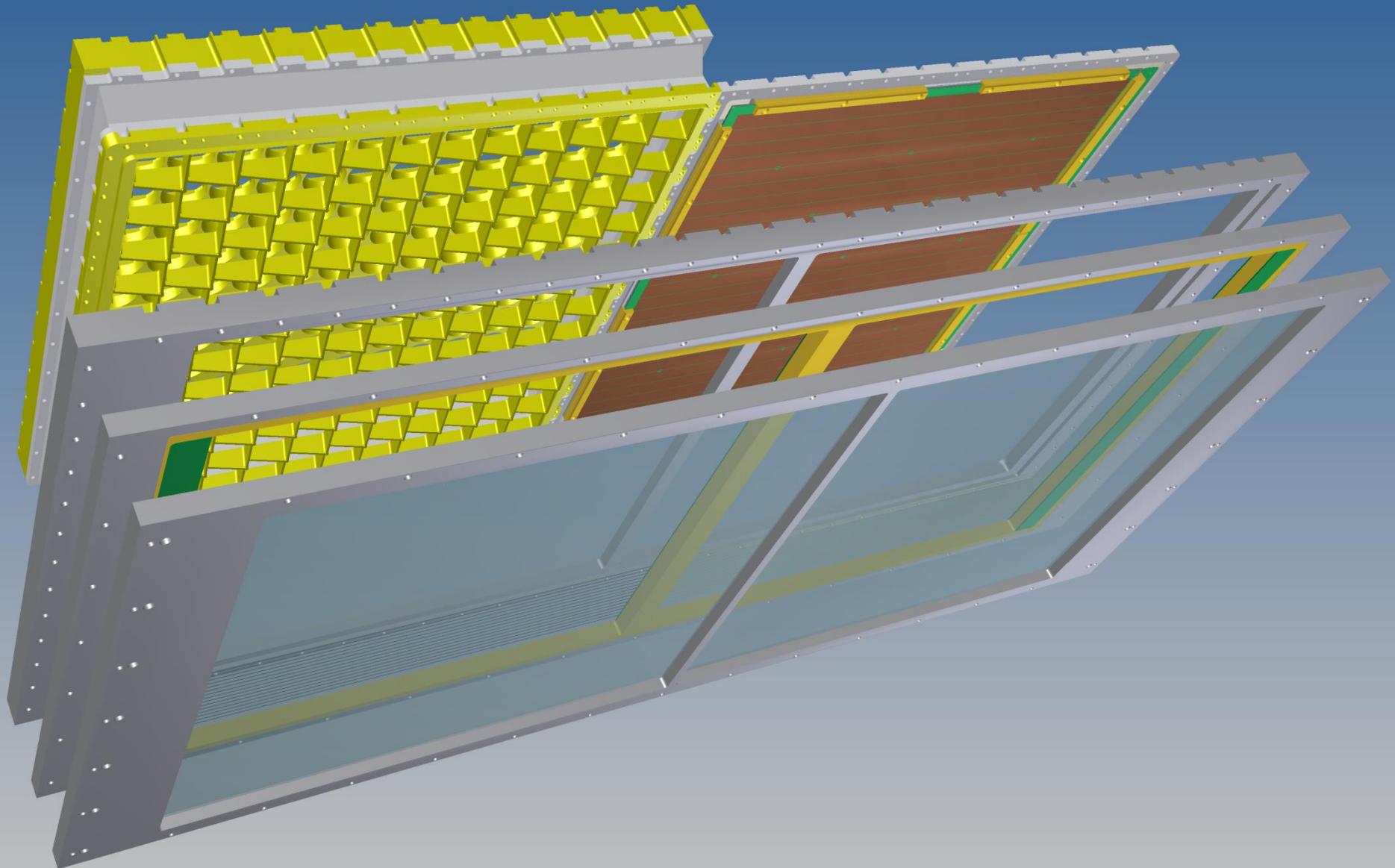
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The THGEM+Micromegas version





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The keys of the success

- A strong physics case
- An outstanding project leader
- A dedicated, highly motivated team
- A constant support from the Institutes and the Experiment
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To work safely inside our "confined space"

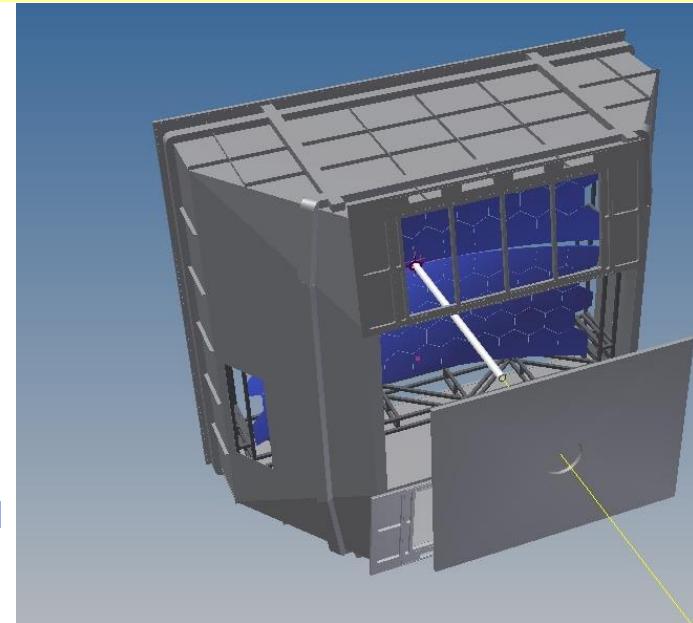
COMPASS RICH is a CONFINED SPACE: authorized people only can enter .

- authorization requires a formation course and a medical certification: for the first time CERN asked for the latter to be done by the institute.
- a scaffolding had to be mounted inside the RICH (the old one does not conform to the new rules).

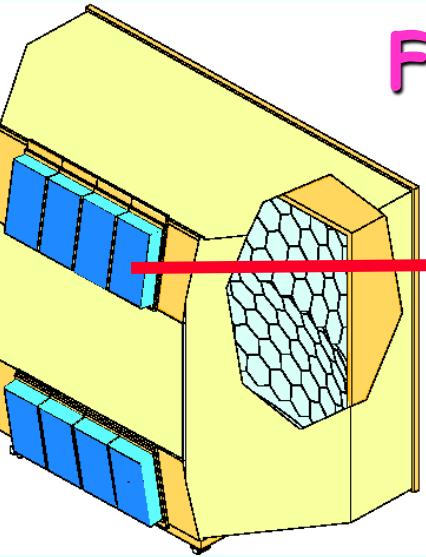
We managed to provide:

- 1) formation: general confined space course from CERN
- 2) formation: specific course on risks inside COMPASS RICH
- 3) definition and agreement on the medical protocol
- 4) medical exams and production of medical certificates
- 4) detailed definition of the activity and formalization of the specific procedures.
- 5) opening of the RICH with Fire Brigades, GLIMOS, Supervisor, TSO, CERN confined space responsible, etc.
- 6) authorization to enter by radiation protection personnel, formed, checked and authorized for entrance
- 7) special formation course and authorization for us to mount a borrowed scaffolding
(it can only be mounted by authorized personnel, but they were not authorized for confined space ...)
- 8) mounting of the scaffolding by ourselves
- 6) formation and authorization to enter for the responsible of the scaffolding to check our mounting and authorize using it
- 7) ... 8) ... 9) ... 10) ...

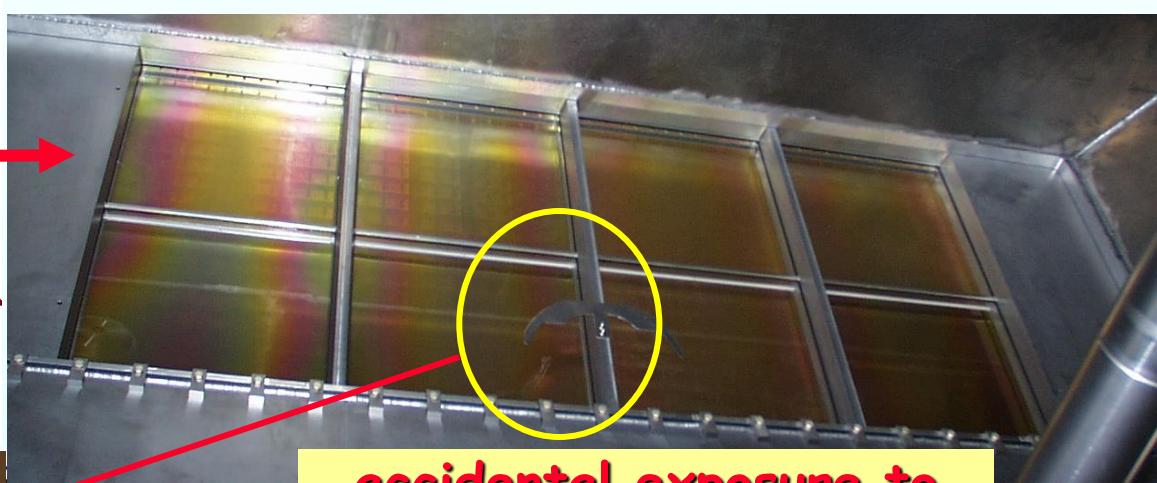
EVERYBODY (CERN Medical Service, TIS, GLIMOS, ...) have been extraordinarily collaborative...



Few months after the end of the run



highest photon flux region



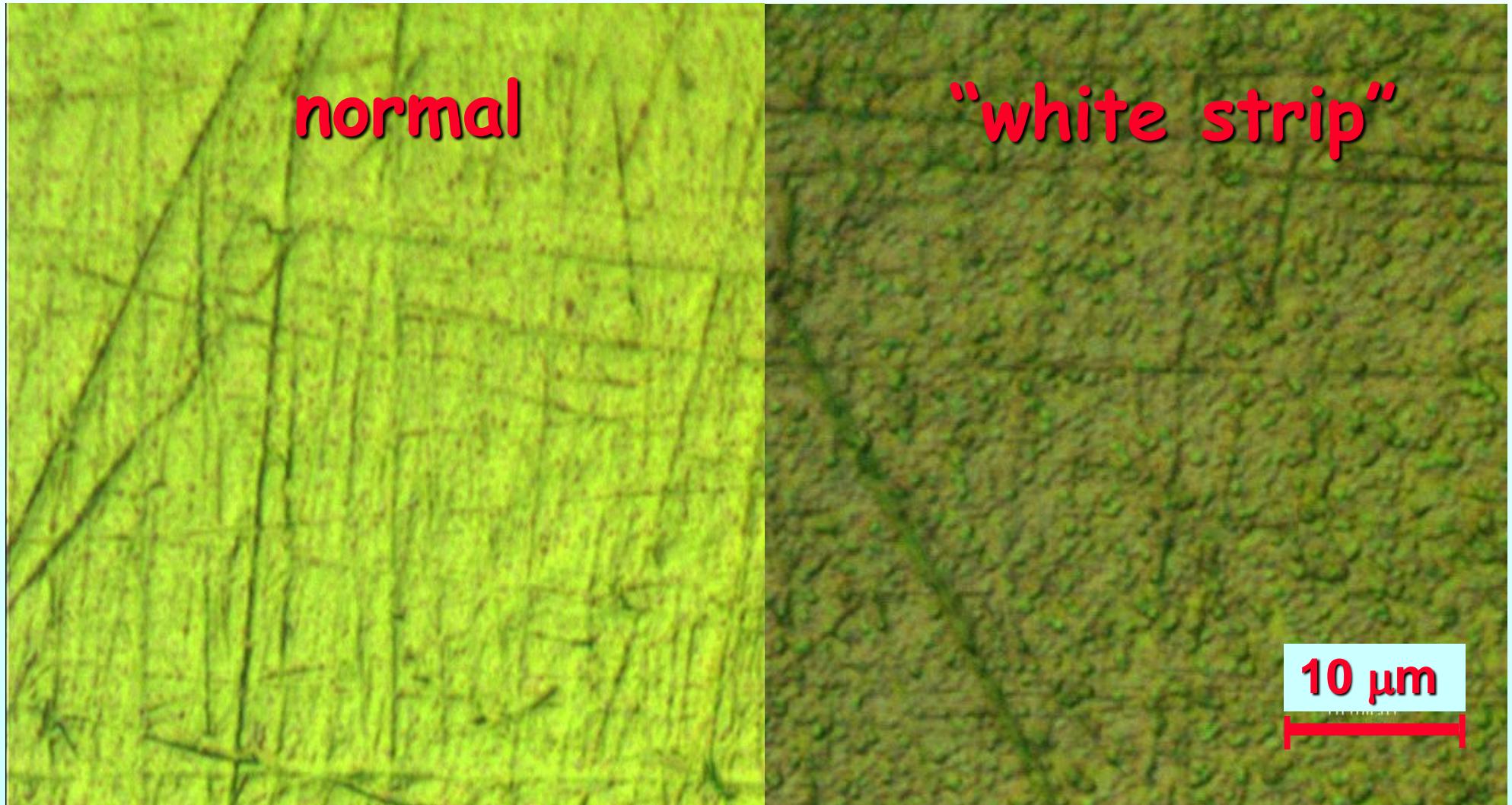
accidental exposure to
air of one CsI cathode

accumulated
charge: ~ 1 mC/pad

wires

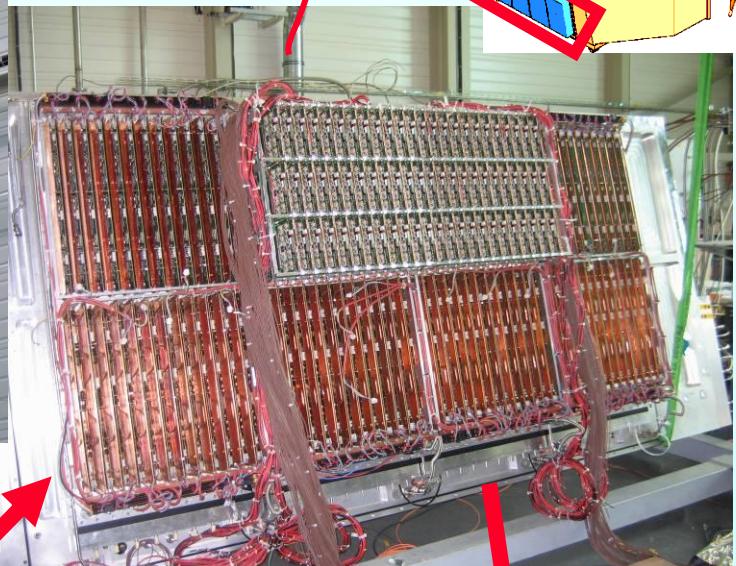
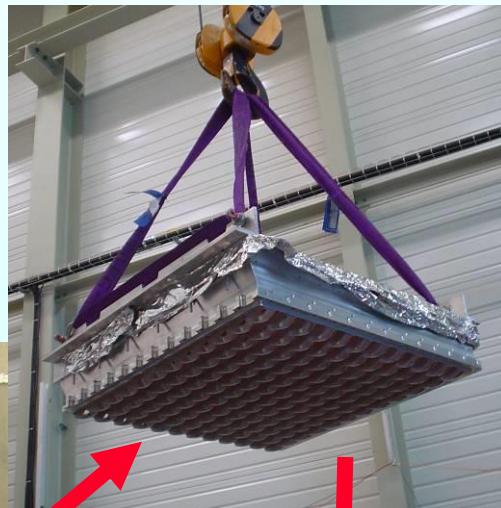
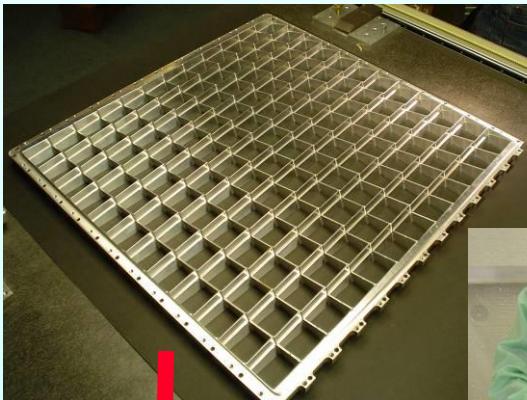


CsI surface at microscope ($\times 1000$)



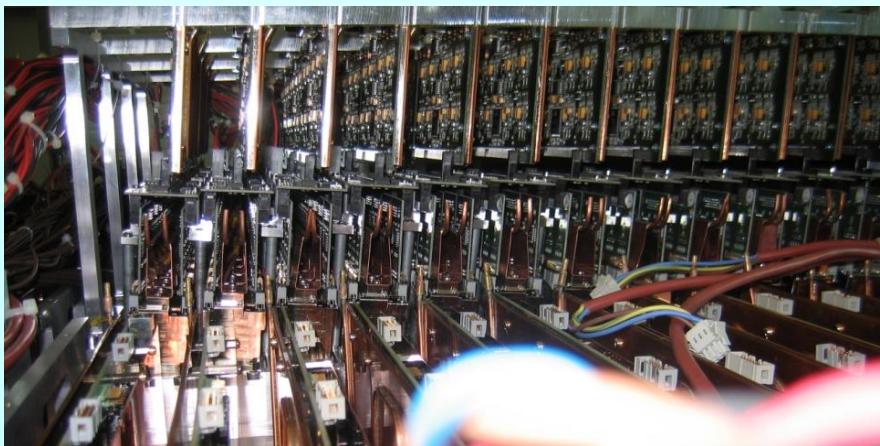
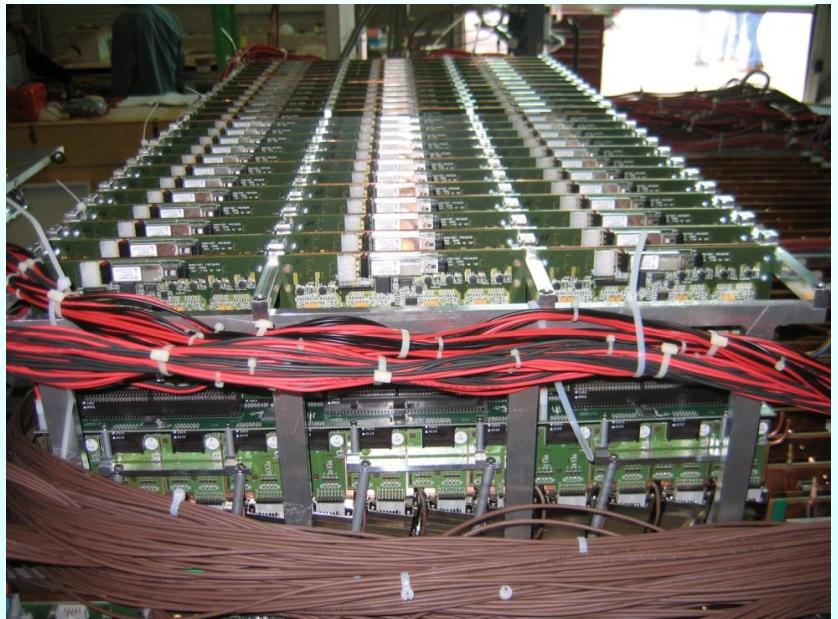
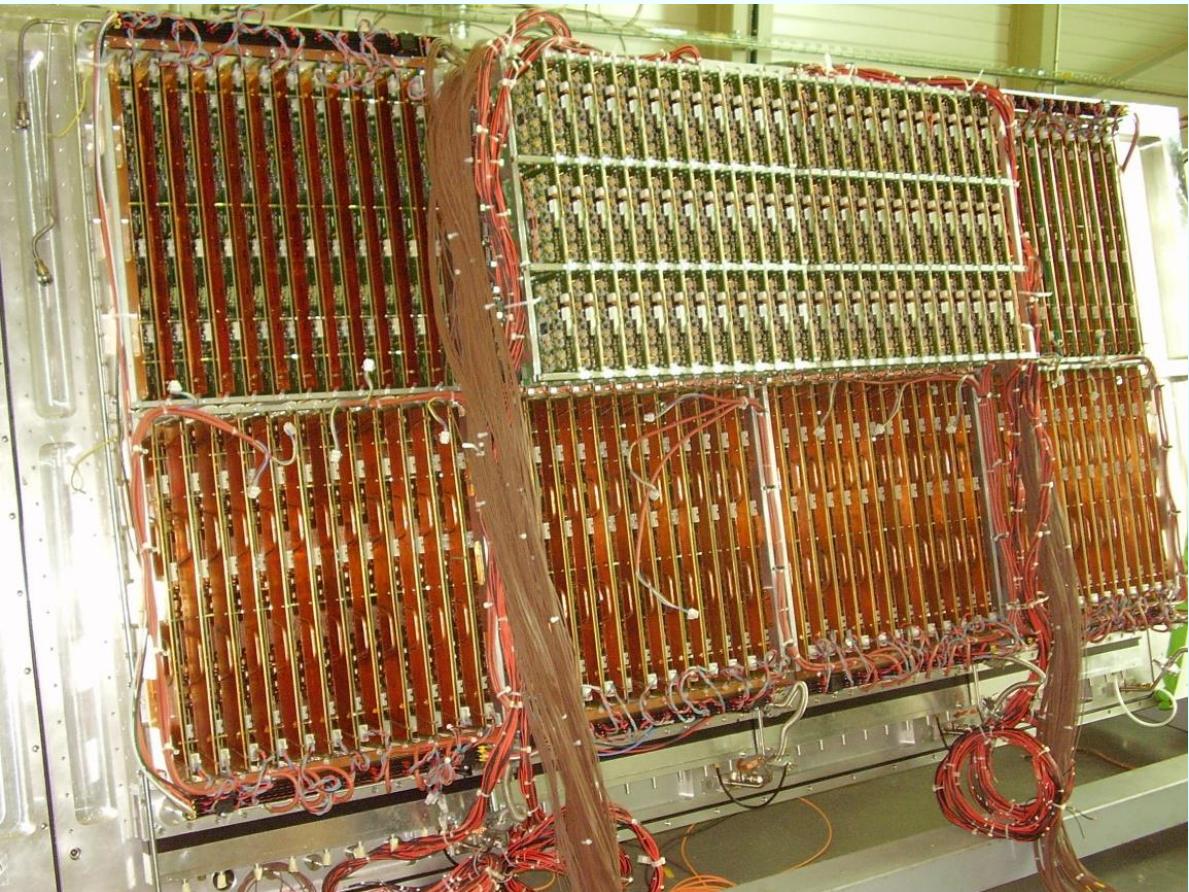
SCHEDULE OF ASSEMBLING

- Preliminary studies up to October 2004
- Project design November 2004 – March 2005
- Material procurement and constructions April 2005 - March 2006
- Assembly April-May 2006
- Ready for beam June 2006



When the detector was ready ...

With the MAPMT's and electronics



We moved out of the assembling area

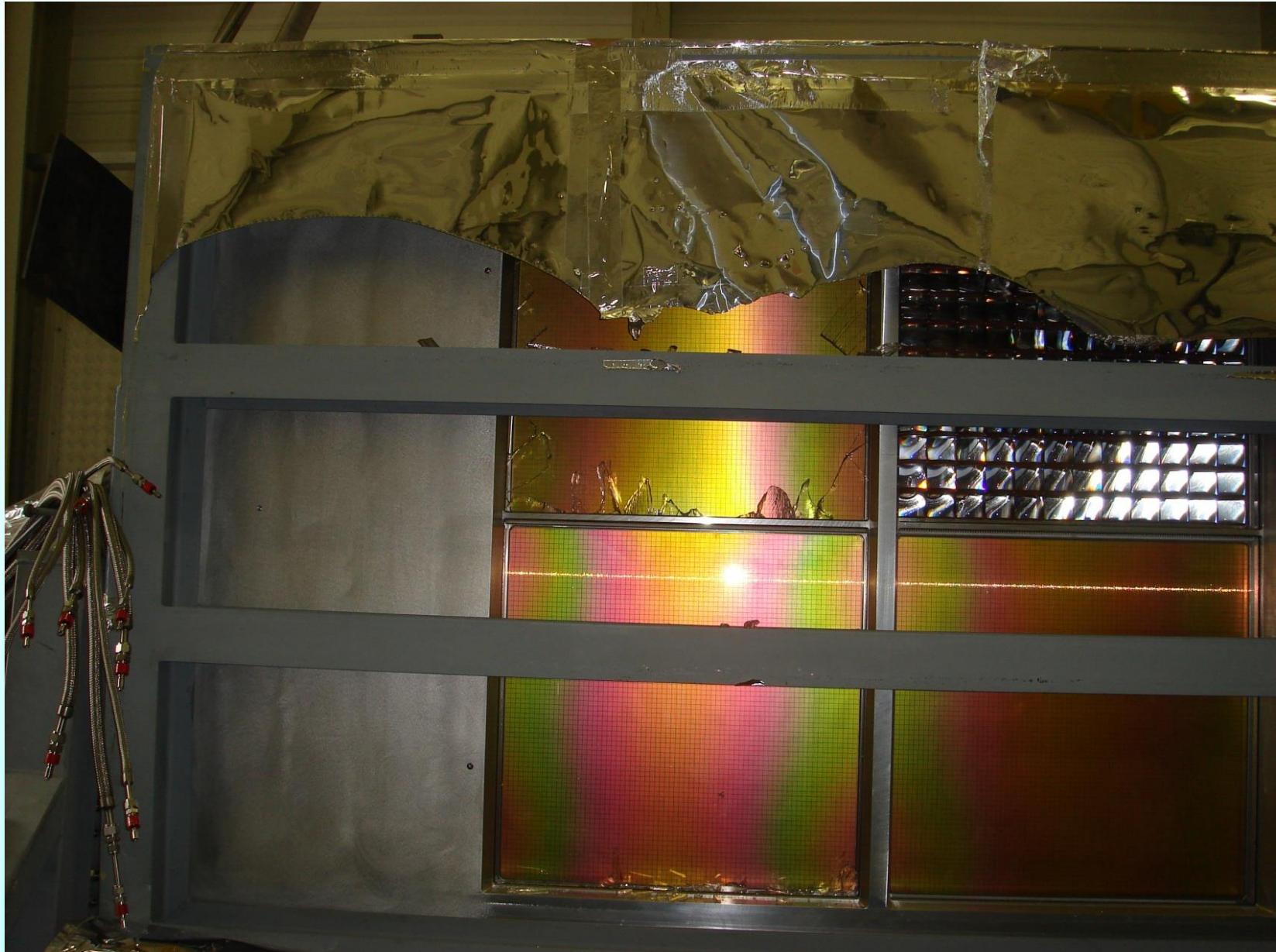


It was May 18, 2006. A beautiful sunny day in Geneva.

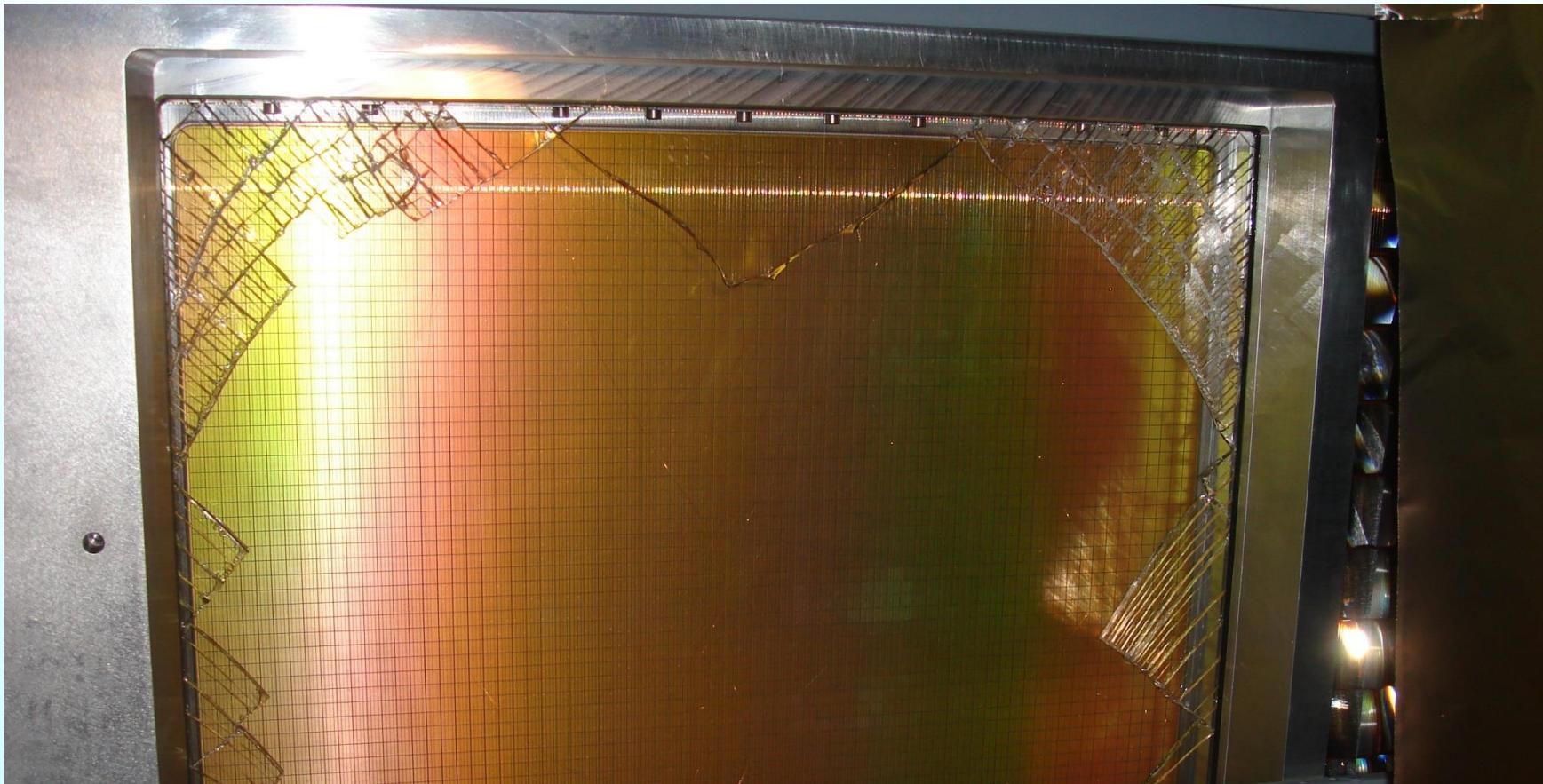
At 11:45 the detector was ready for craning.

Suddenly a bang was heard.

In few seconds the protections were removed and that's what was seen:



Immediate reaction



The repair started on the same day

Spares of all pieces, including the large quartz windows were available

The accident was carefully studied and understood in detail (20 mbar overpressure)

One month later, in time for the start of the run, the repaired detector was installed

OPTICS QUALITY CONTROL WITH THE HARTMANN METHOD

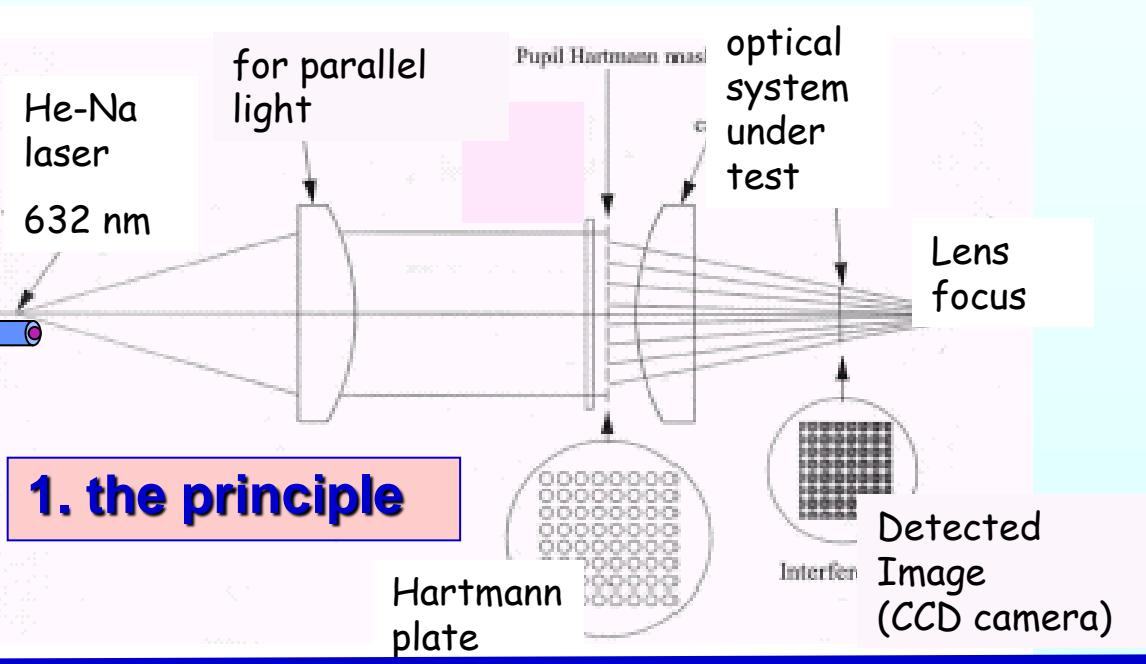
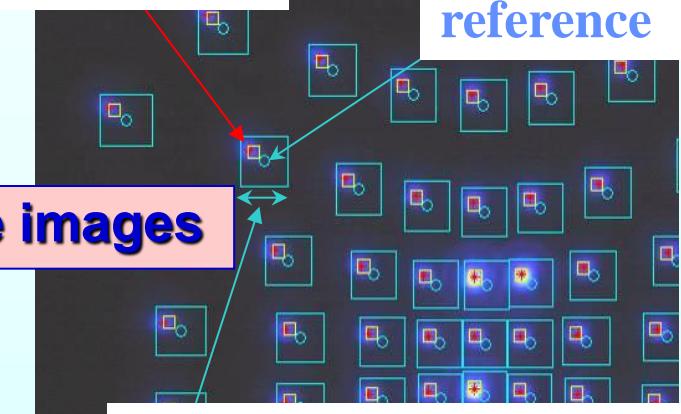


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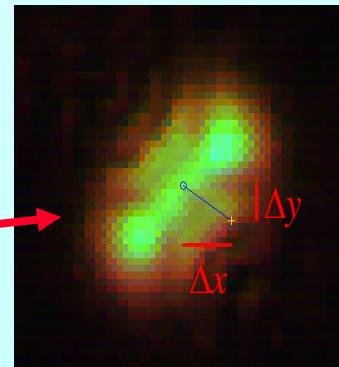
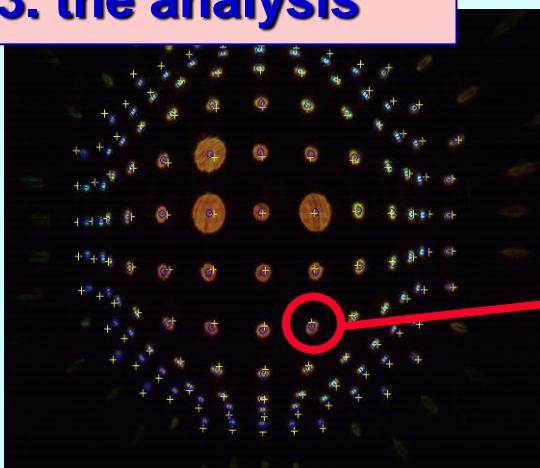
Theoretical reference

2. the images



tolerance
(= center points +/- 0.1 mm)

3. the analysis



576 TELESCOPES:

- A) ~70% within 50 µm tolerance
- B) ~20% within 100 µm tolerance
- C) ~10% within 150 µm tolerances

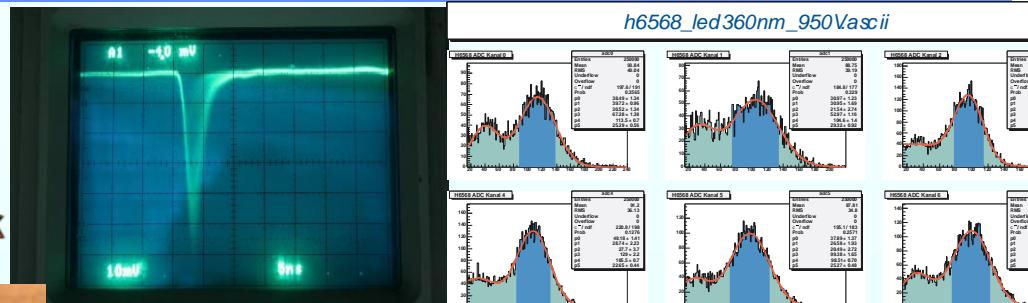
MAPMT Quality Control

out of 620 MAPMTs
 less than 10 MAPMTs not fully
 satisfactory, mainly due to the
 dark current requirement:
I dark < 2 nA/ch after ½ h in dark

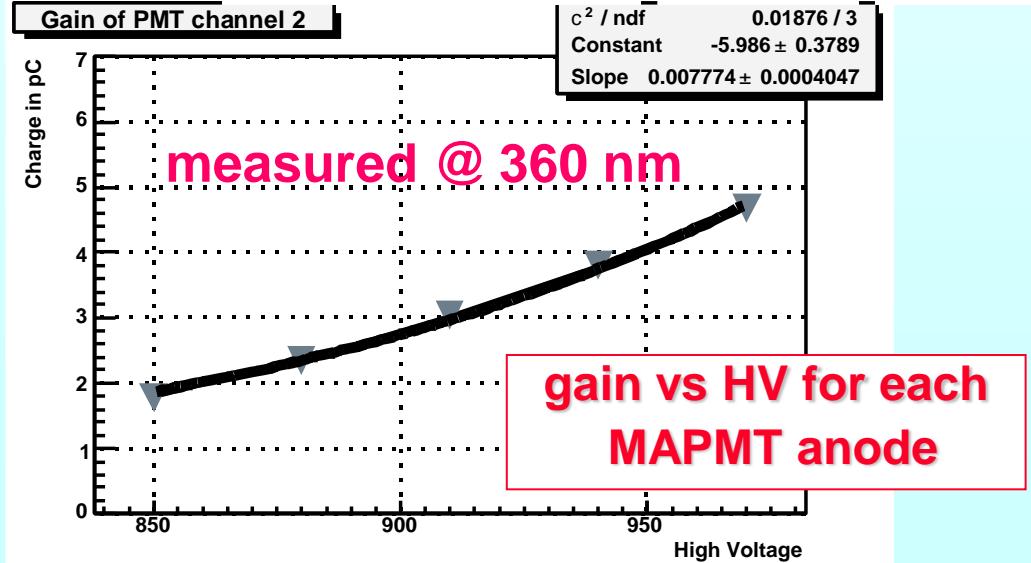
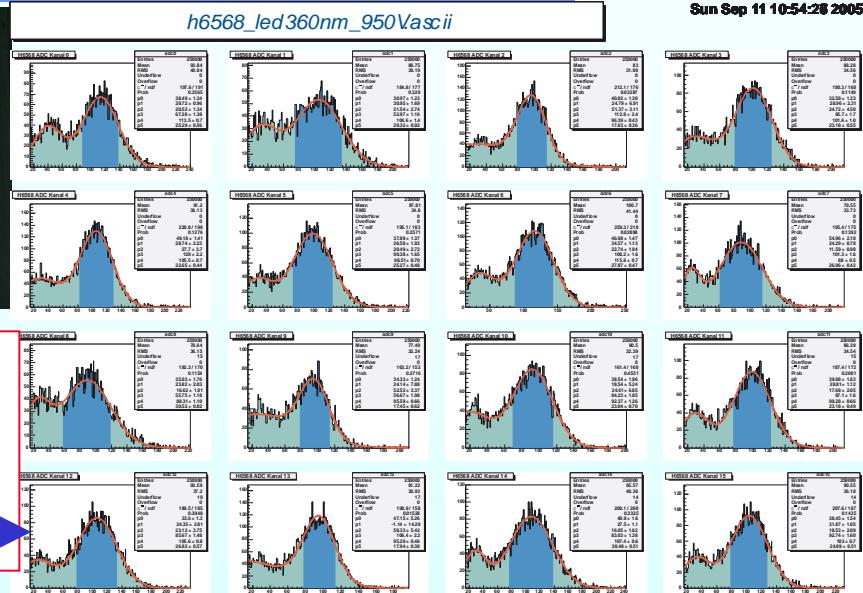


PROTOCOL – 2 h / MAPMT

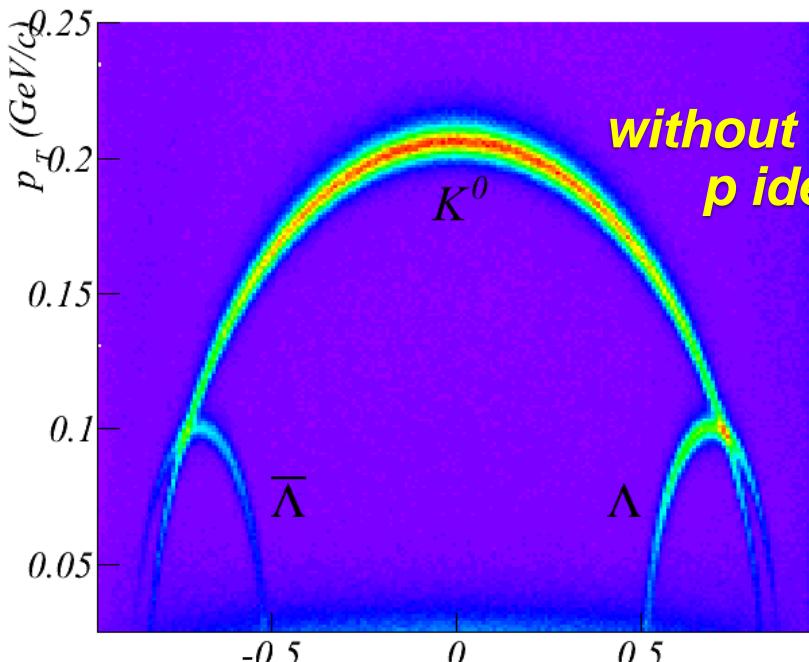
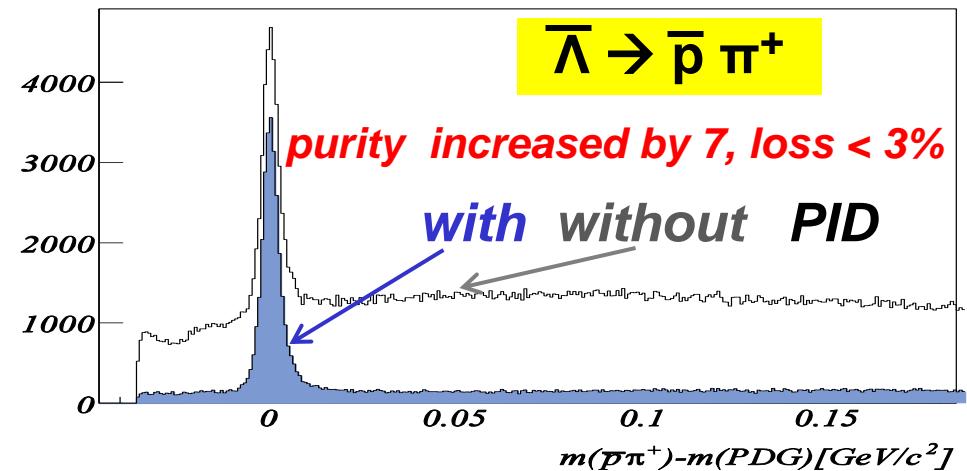
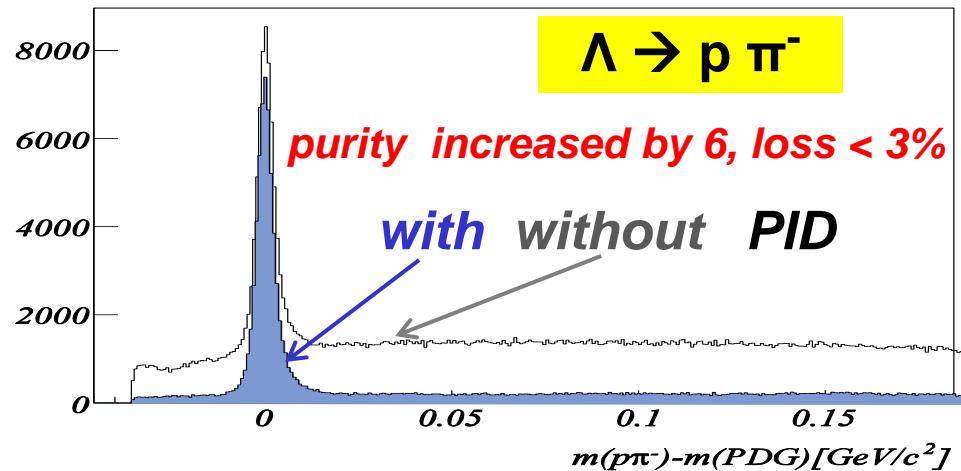
- Visual Inspection (Pixel grid o.k.)
- Noise rates and dark current
- Scope Image stored
- Signal shape, uniformity, gain
 - measuring ADC distribution @ several Voltages
- Quantum efficiency
 - measurement with blue LED and UV LED



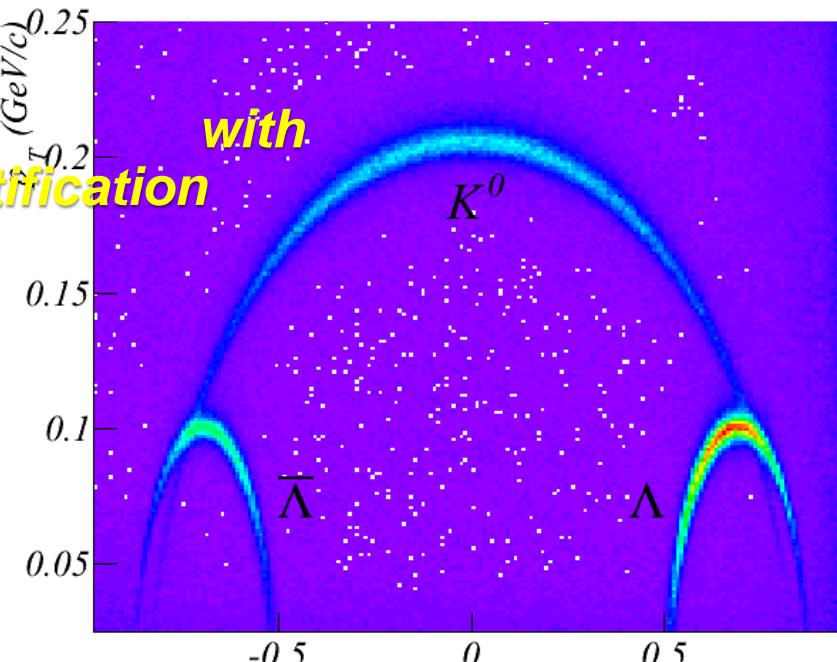
Individual ADC
 spectra for each
 channel, voltage,
 wavelength



RICH PID information in Λ analysis

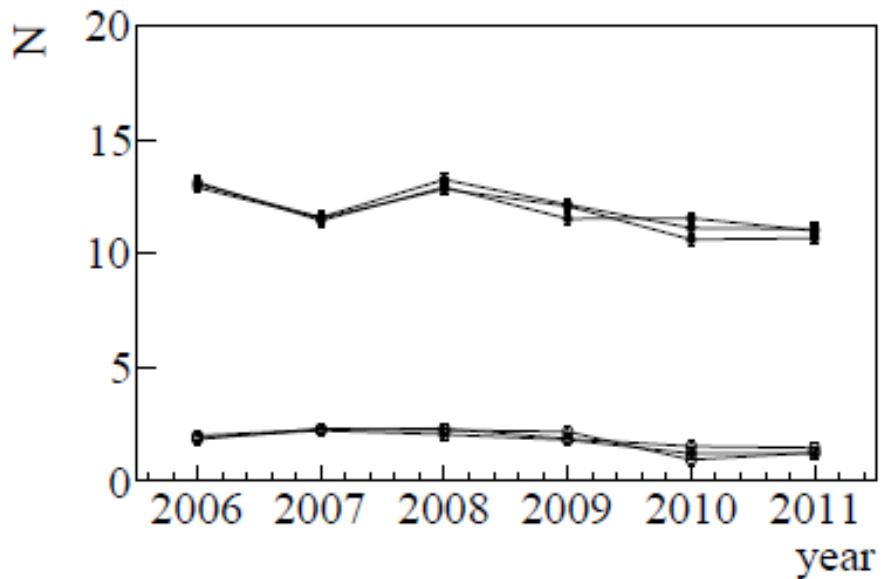


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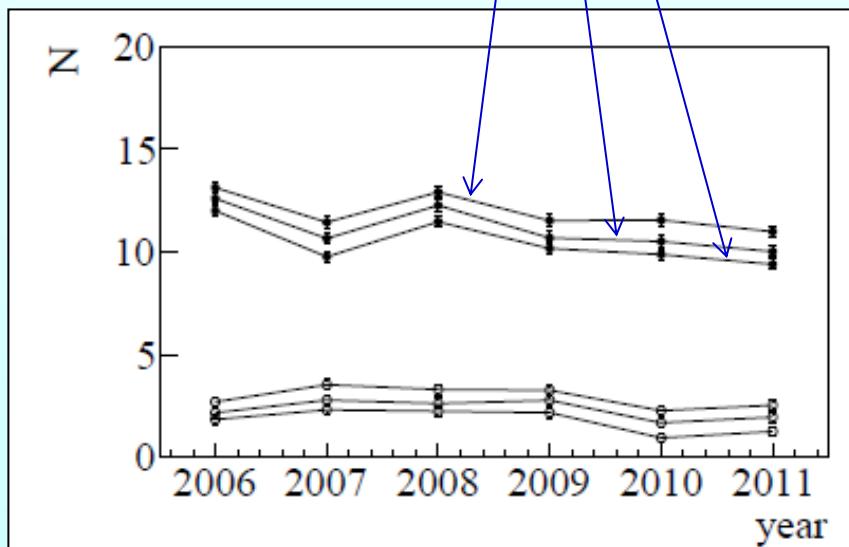
FIT CHECKS



Fit ranges:

- 25 – 45 mrad (25 – 40 mard)
- 20 – 40 mrad (20 – 35 mard)
- 15 – 35 mrad (15 – 30 mard)

Rings with at least
1 2 3 photons



COMPARING THE 6 DATA SETS

POTENTIAL SOURCES OF SYSTEMATIC EFFECTS

- **different beams (μ , h) and beam momentum**
 - **different background and secondary multiplicities**

→ signal and background contributions are separated in the analysis
- **HV fixed, -20V (over 2kV) in 2010, 2011:** small effect ~ 2.3% N decrease
- **differences in parameters:**
 - **T , P , electronics threshold**

→ systematic effect estimated
- **procedure self-correcting for the variation of the refractive index (P , T , residual N_2 content)**
 - **$n-1 = (1422 - 1537) * 10^{-6}$**
 - **gas transparency:**

→ negligible variations
(constant monitoring)

source	range of the relevant parameter	r.m.s. / (number of detected photons) (%)
setting of the electronic threshold	(1750 ± 150) electrons	0.7
temperature at the detector (mean on data sample)	(30 ± 2.5) degrees	1.0
atmospheric pressure (mean on data sample)	(960 ± 5) mbar	0.6