

# The Barrel and Endcap Disc DIRC at PANDA

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- The PANDA detector
- The DIRC counters
- Barrel DIRC
- Endcap Disc DIRC

# Antiproton production at FAIR

70 MeV  
p-linac

SIS 18

SIS 100 : 29 GeV protons

Acceleration  
& Cooling

HESR

PANDA

Ni/Cu target  
 $10^7$  /s antiprotons  
 $\sim 3$  GeV

Acceleration  
& Precooling

## High Energy Storage Ring (HESR)

$5 \times 10^{10}$  stored cooled  $\bar{p}$

1.5 to 15 GeV/c momentum

Cluster jet / pellet target

High luminosity mode

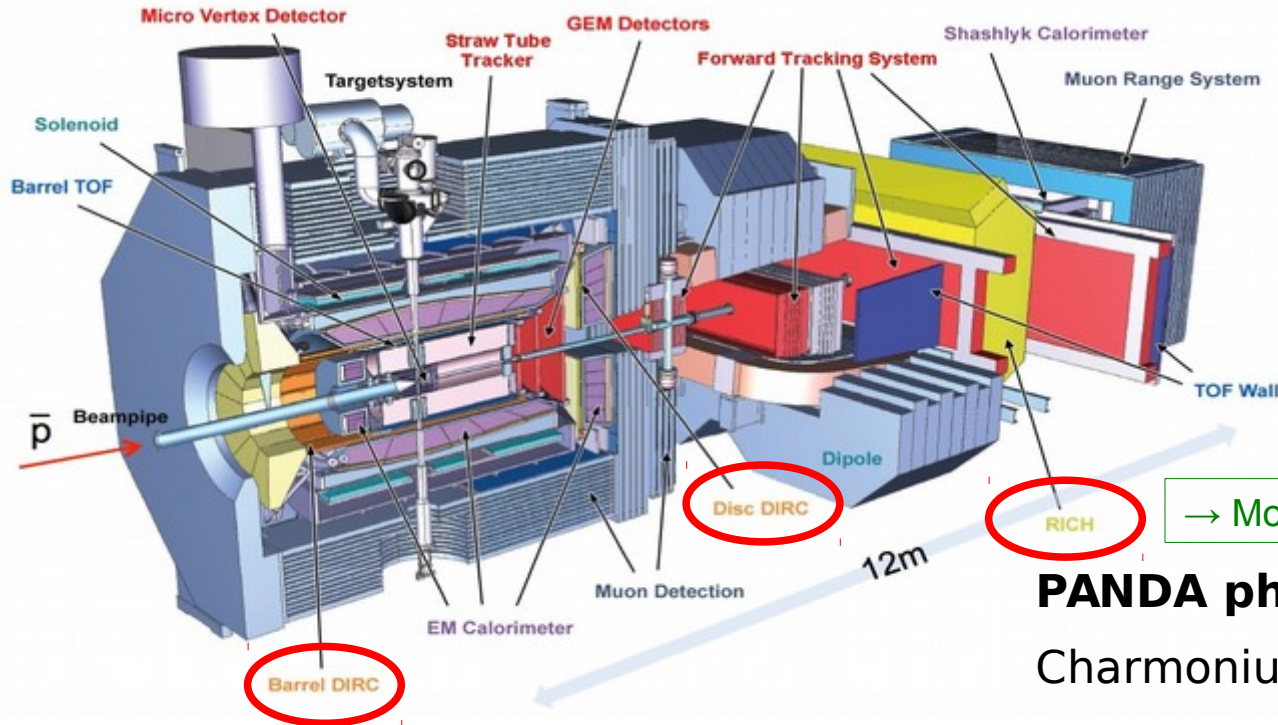
$\Delta p/p = 10^{-4}$   
 $2 \times 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

High resolution mode

$\Delta p/p = 5 \times 10^{-5} \rightarrow dE \approx 50 \text{ keV}$   
 $2 \times 10^{31} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

# PANDA experiment

→ Monday: Talk of Anastasios Belias



→ Monday: Talk of Sergey Kononov

## PANDA physics program

Charmonium and open charm spectroscopy

Search for charmed hybrids and glueballs

Modification of charmed mesons in nuclear matter

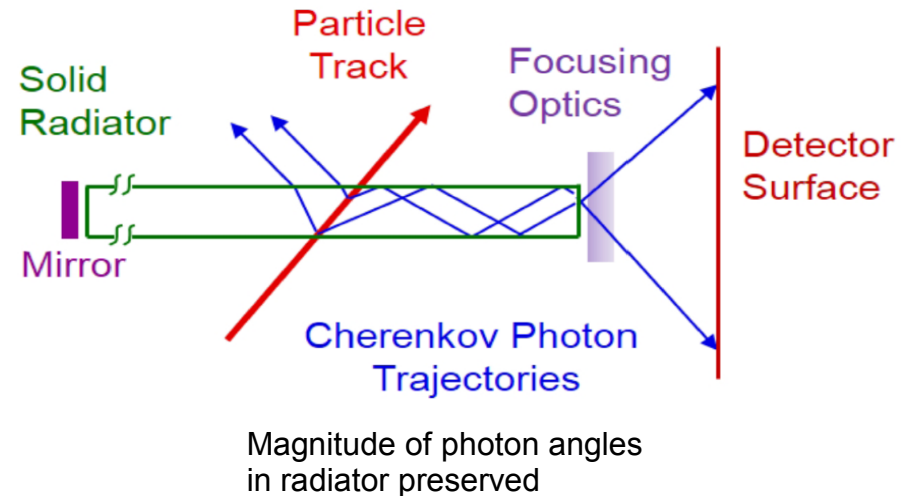
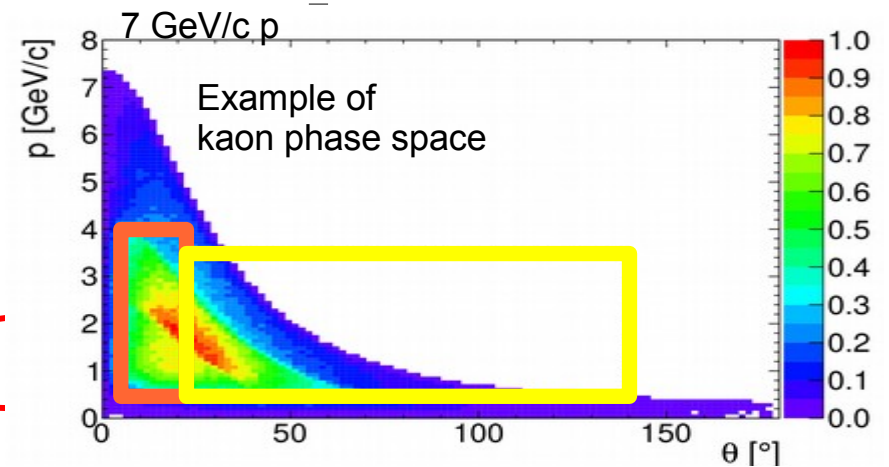
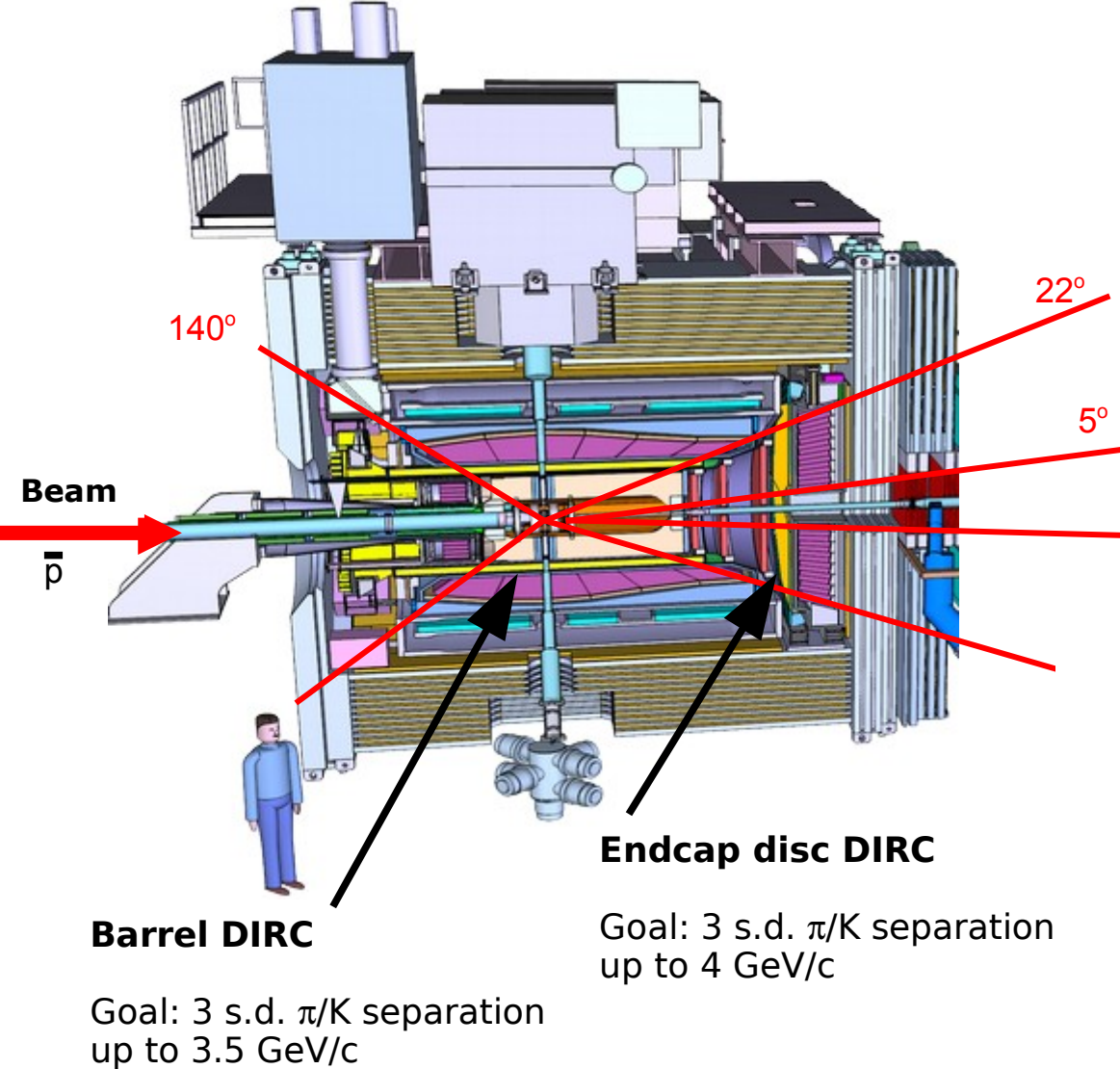
Hypernuclei

Nucleon structure

Excellent PID needed



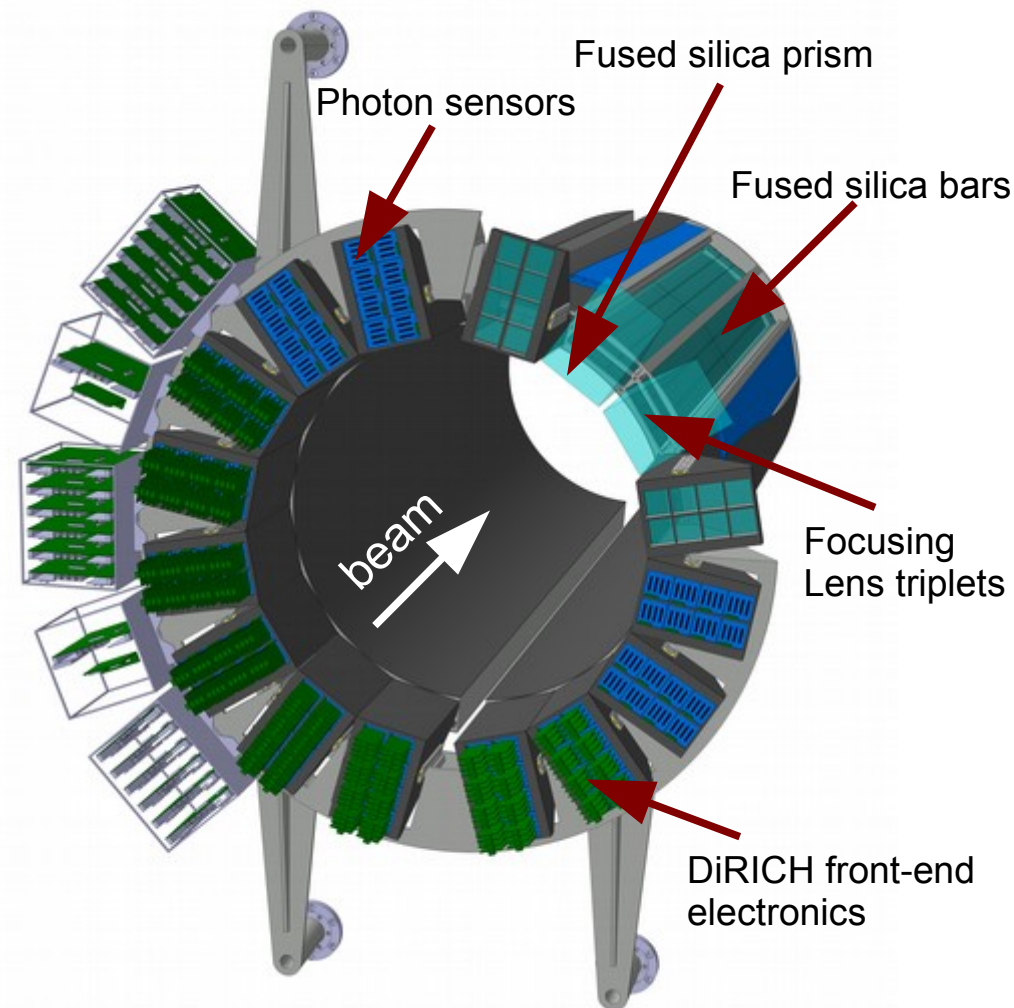
# PANDA DIRC counters



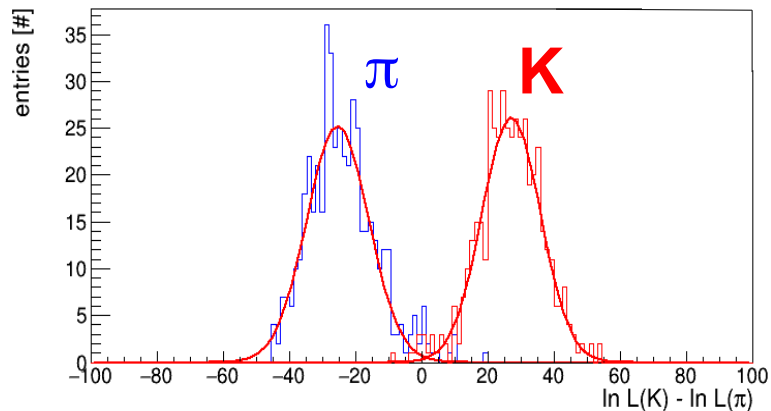
# Barrel DIRC Design:

based on BABAR DIRC and SuperB FDIRC  
with key improvements

- Barrel radius  $\sim 48$  cm;  
expansion volume depth: 30 cm.
- 48 narrow radiator bars, synthetic fused silica  
17 mm (T) x 53 mm (W) x 2400 mm (L).
- Compact photon detector:**  
30 cm fused silica expansion volume  
8192 channels of MCP-PMTs  
in  $\sim 1$  T B field
- Focusing optics:** spherical lens system
- Fast photon detection:**  
fast TDC plus TOT electronics,  
→ 100-200 ps timing



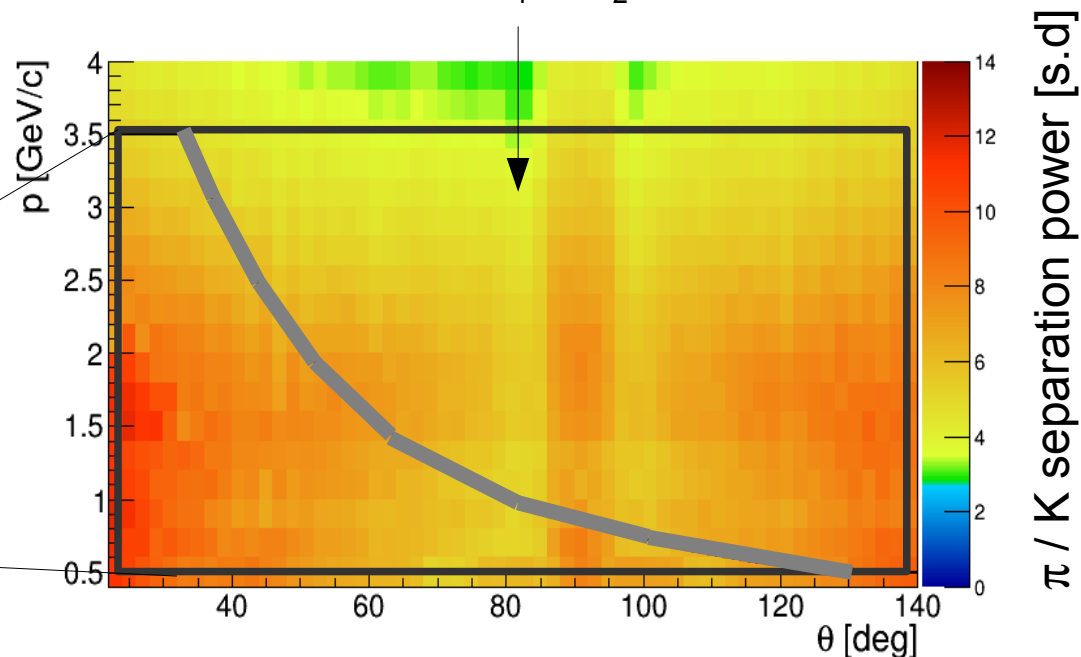
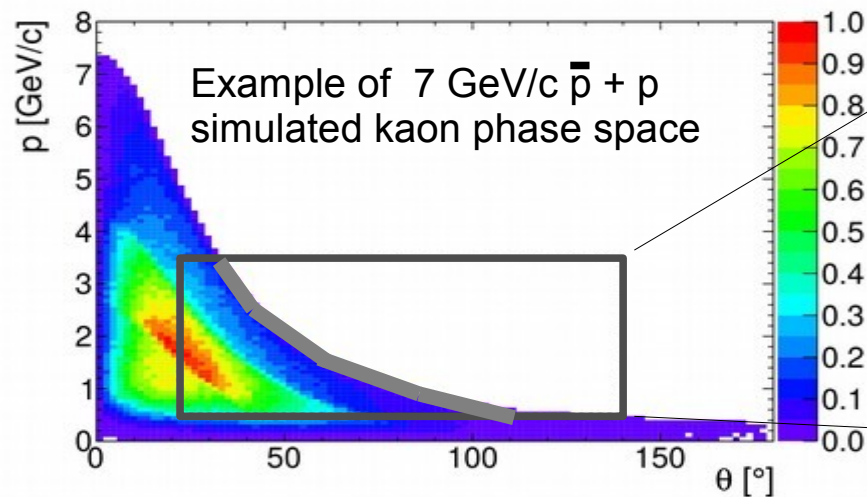
track-by-track max. likelihood fit



# Expected performance

Time imaging reconstruction

$$N_{\text{sep}} = \frac{|\mu_1 - \mu_2|}{\frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2)}$$



Design meets and exceeds PID requirements

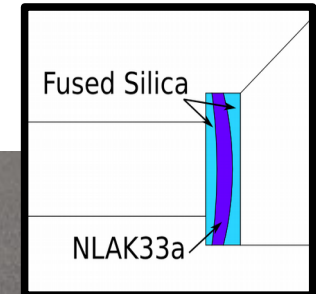
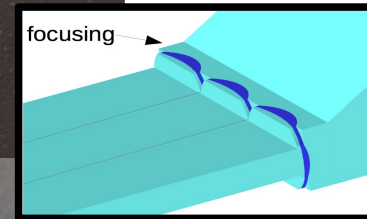
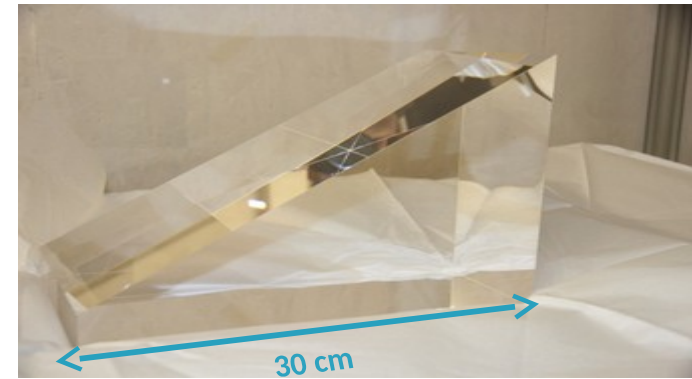
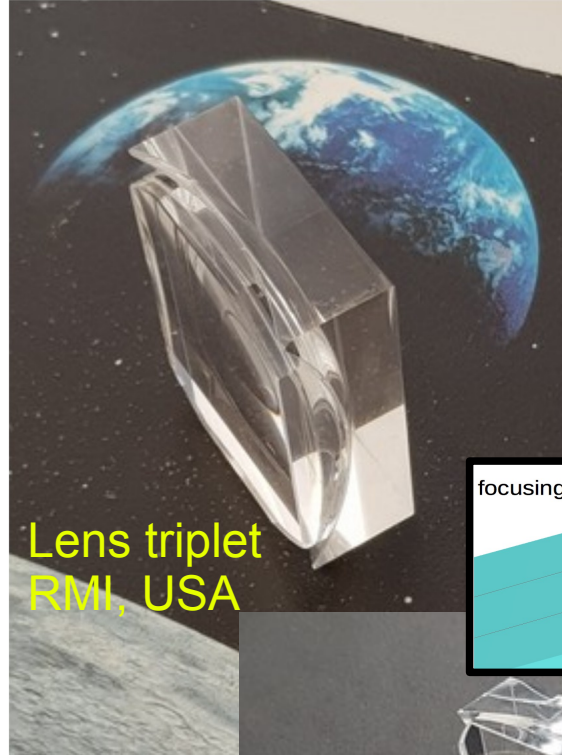


# Optical components

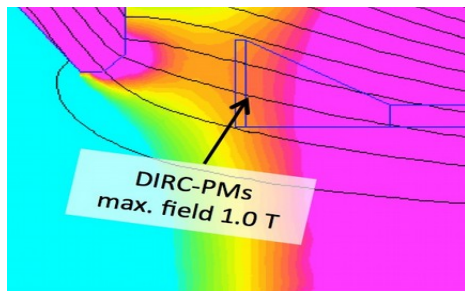


Bars from AOS/Okamoto, InSync, Nikon, Zeiss, Zygo; Heraeus, Lytkarino LZOS, Schott Lithotec.

Plates from InSync, Nikon



# Photon detector



Requirements:

- **few mm** spatial resolution
- **~100 ps** timing resolution

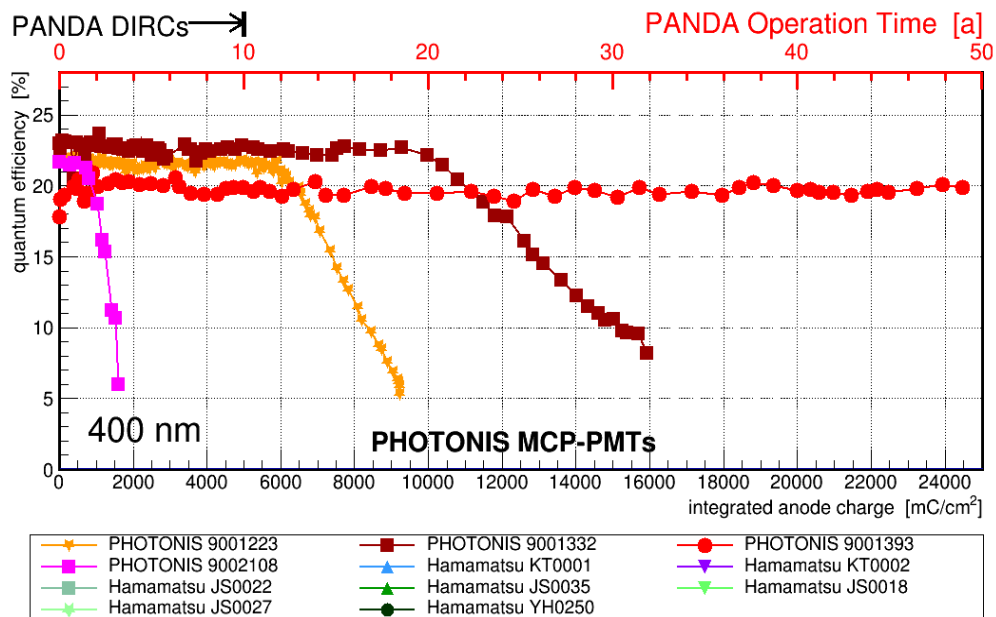
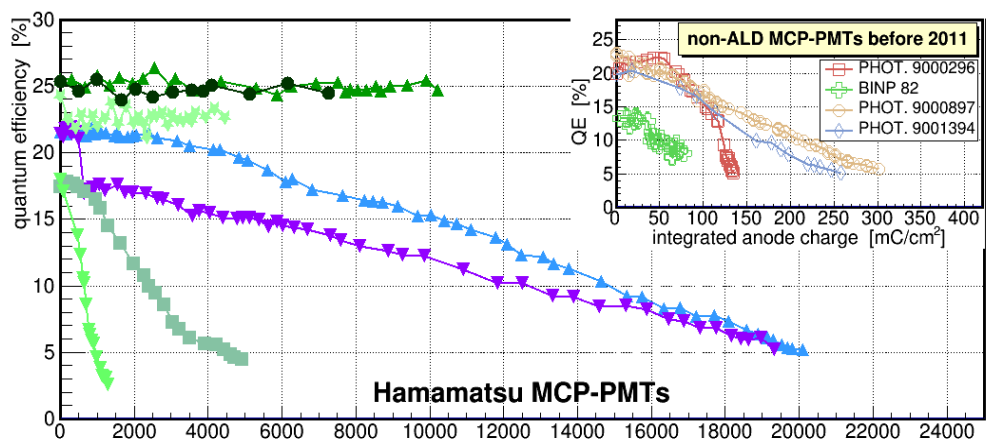
Sector:

**8 MCP-PMT**, each 8 x 8 pixels  
(total 8 k readout channels)

with **pixel size 6 x 6 mm<sup>2</sup>**

work in **1T magnetic field**

survive **10 years** of PANDA (aging)



Sensors with **ALD coated MCPs** have **lifetime > 5 C/cm<sup>2</sup>**



# Readout chain

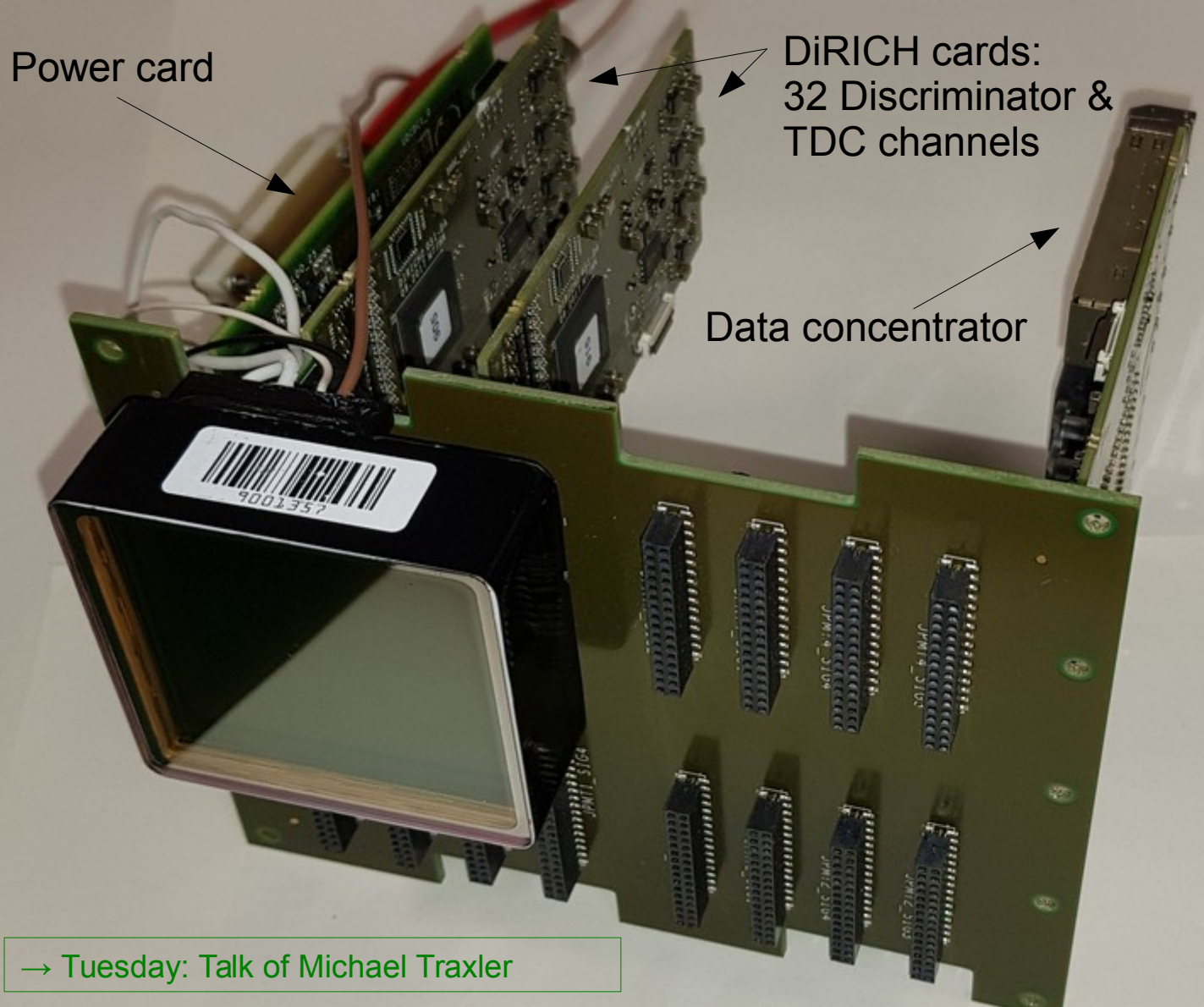
DiRICH

Collaboration of  
PANDA, CBM, HADES

Power card

DiRICH cards:  
32 Discriminator &  
TDC channels

Data concentrator



Highly integrated  
Low cost  
~ 10 ps (discr. + TDC)  
~ 50 mW / channel

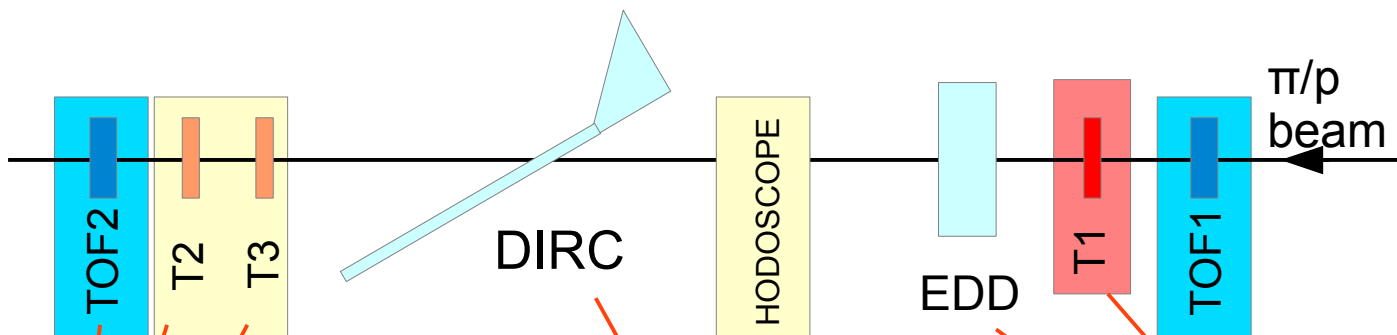
→ Tuesday: Talk of Michael Traxler

# Beam test at CERN 2018

TOF particle identification

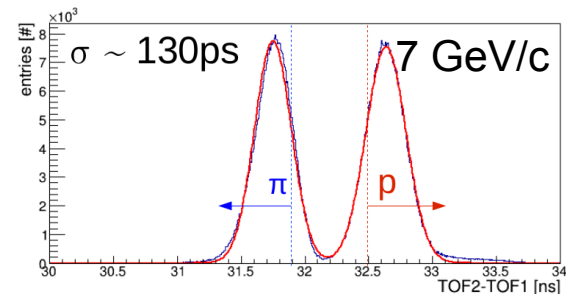
Beam profiling

Trigger

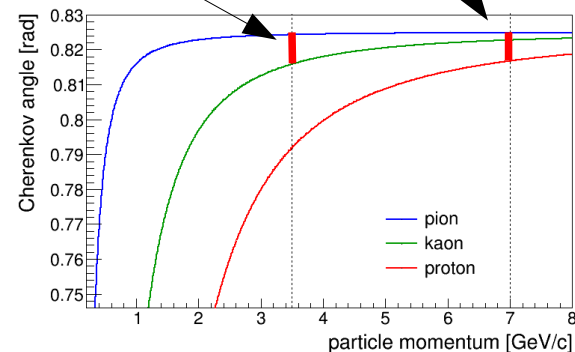


CERN PS/T9 area

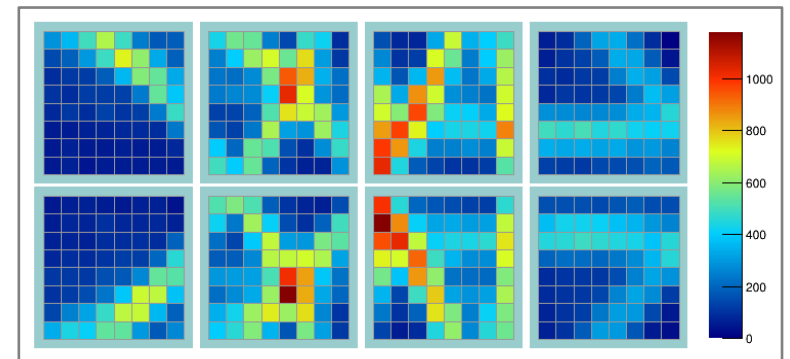
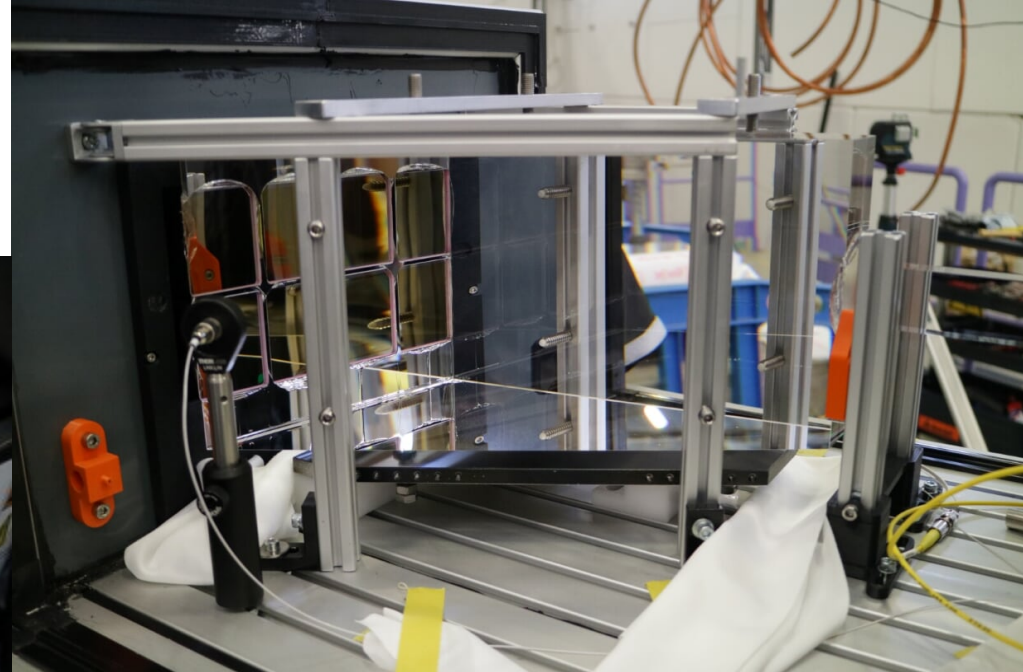
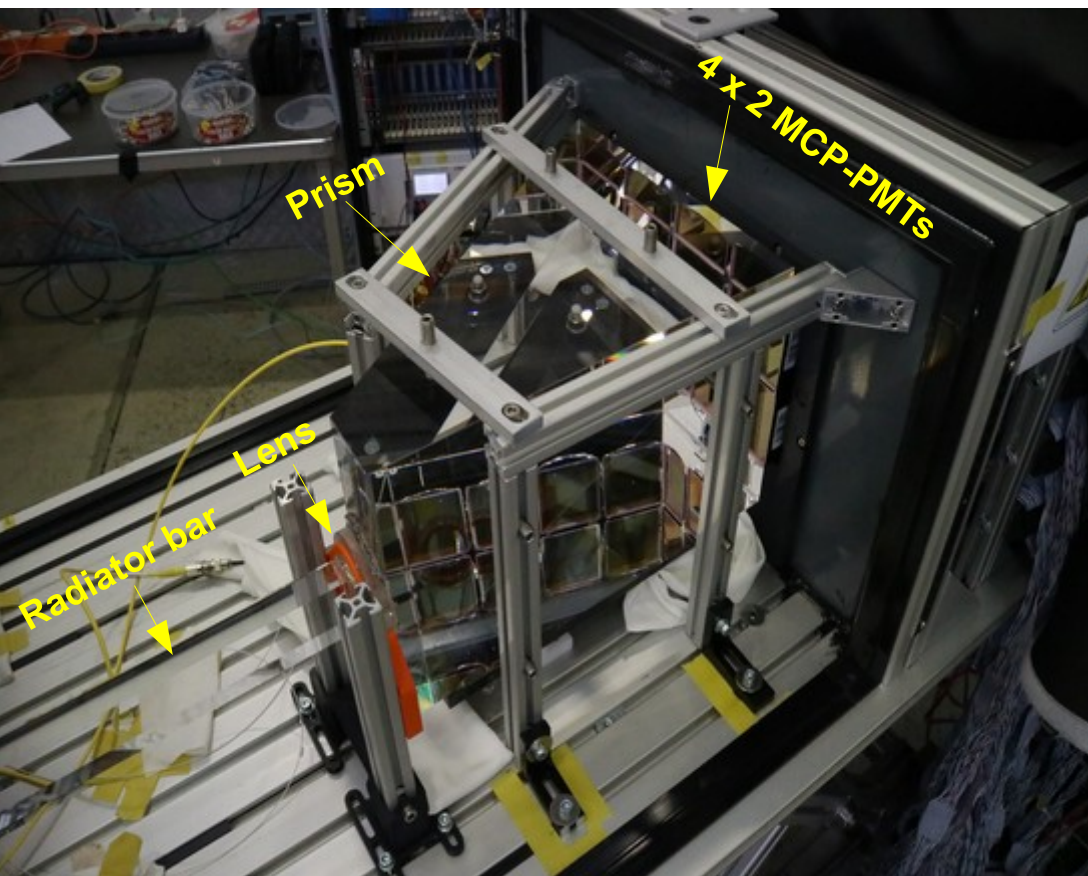
External TOF PID



Most of the data taken at 7 GeV/c  
3.5 GeV/c  $\pi/K \approx 7$  GeV/c  $\pi/p$  sep.



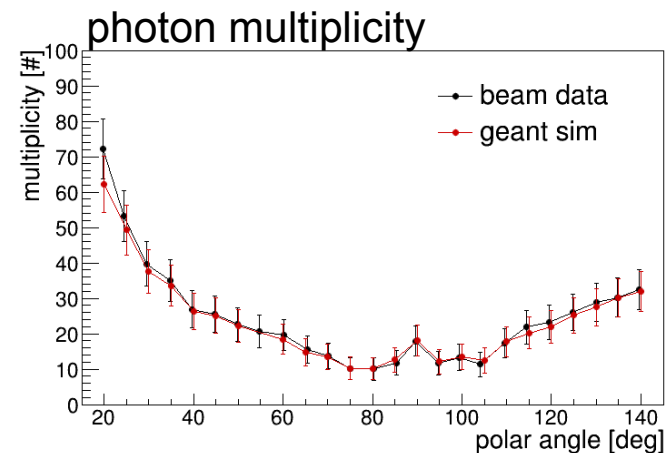
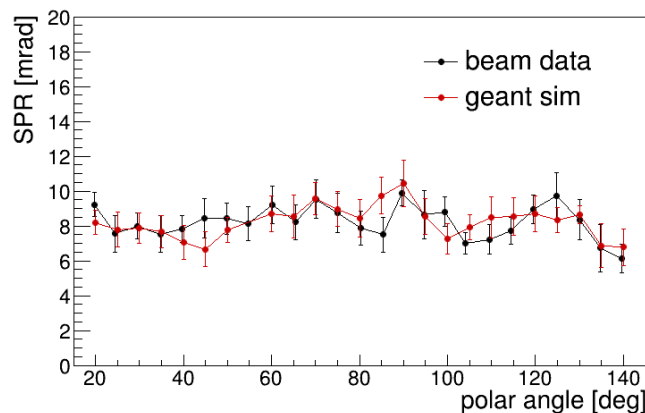
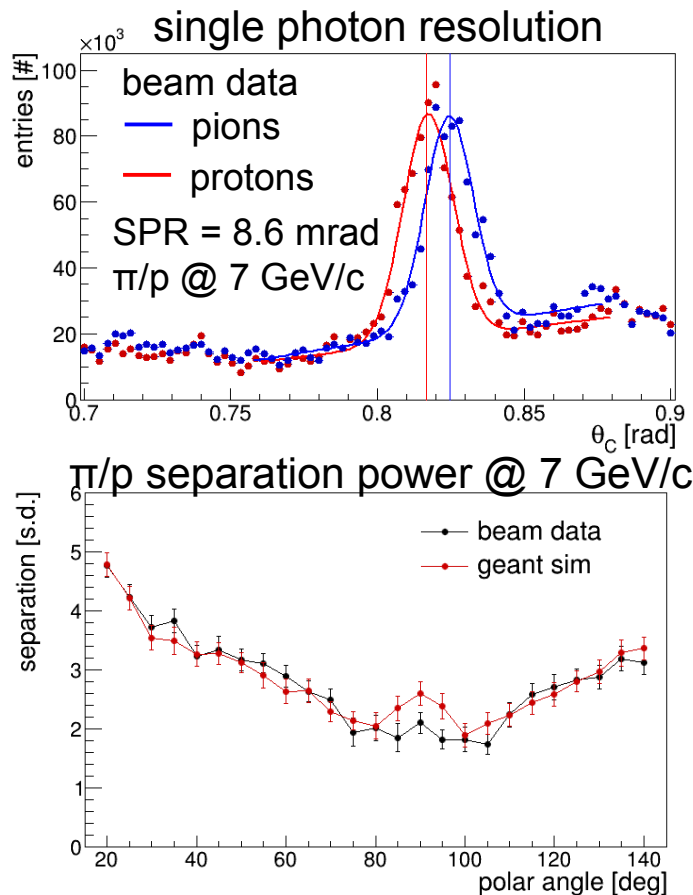
Barrel DIRC setup  
inside the black box



Barrel DIRC hit pattern at polar angle 20°



# Beam test at CERN 2018



Good performance

Good agreement with Geant simulations

→ Today: Poster of Ahmed Ali

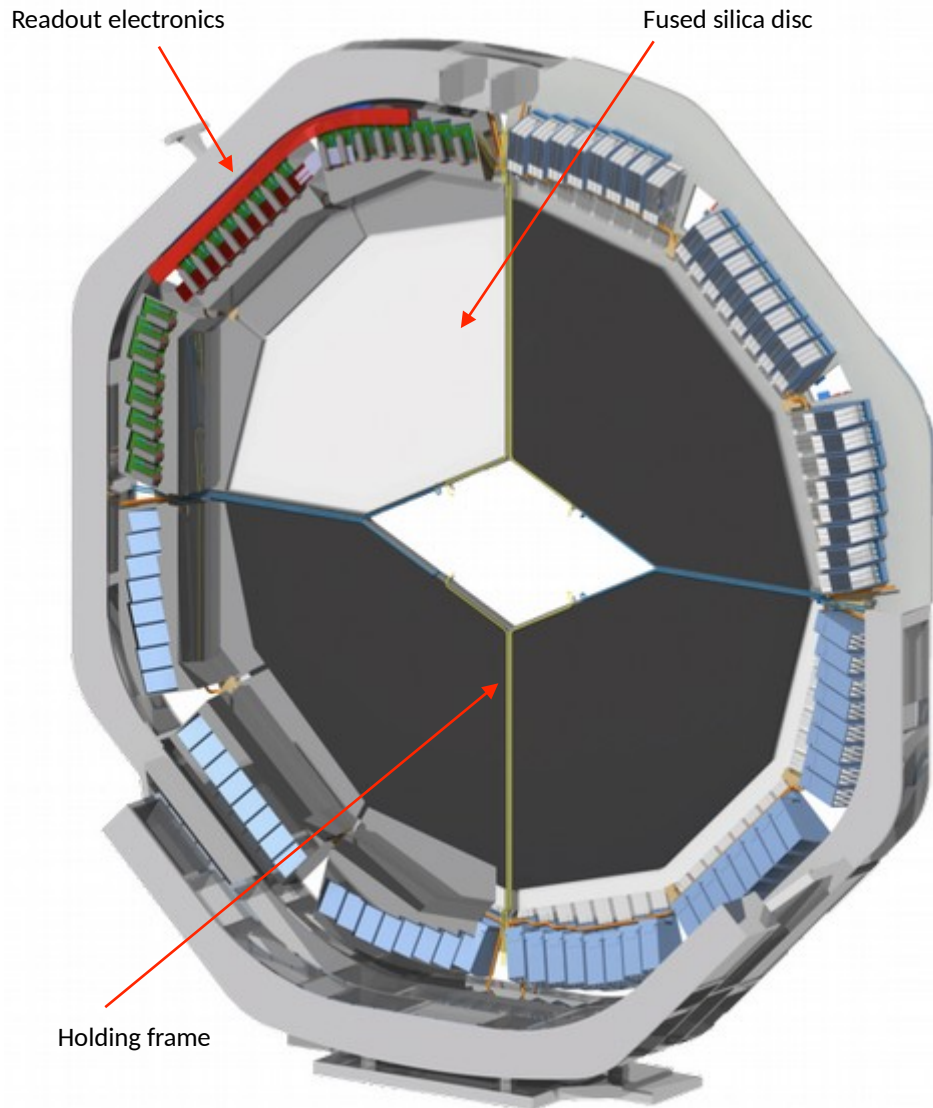
The performance of the Barrel DIRC is validated.

The second DIRC in PANDA is the Endcap Disc DIRC (EDD)

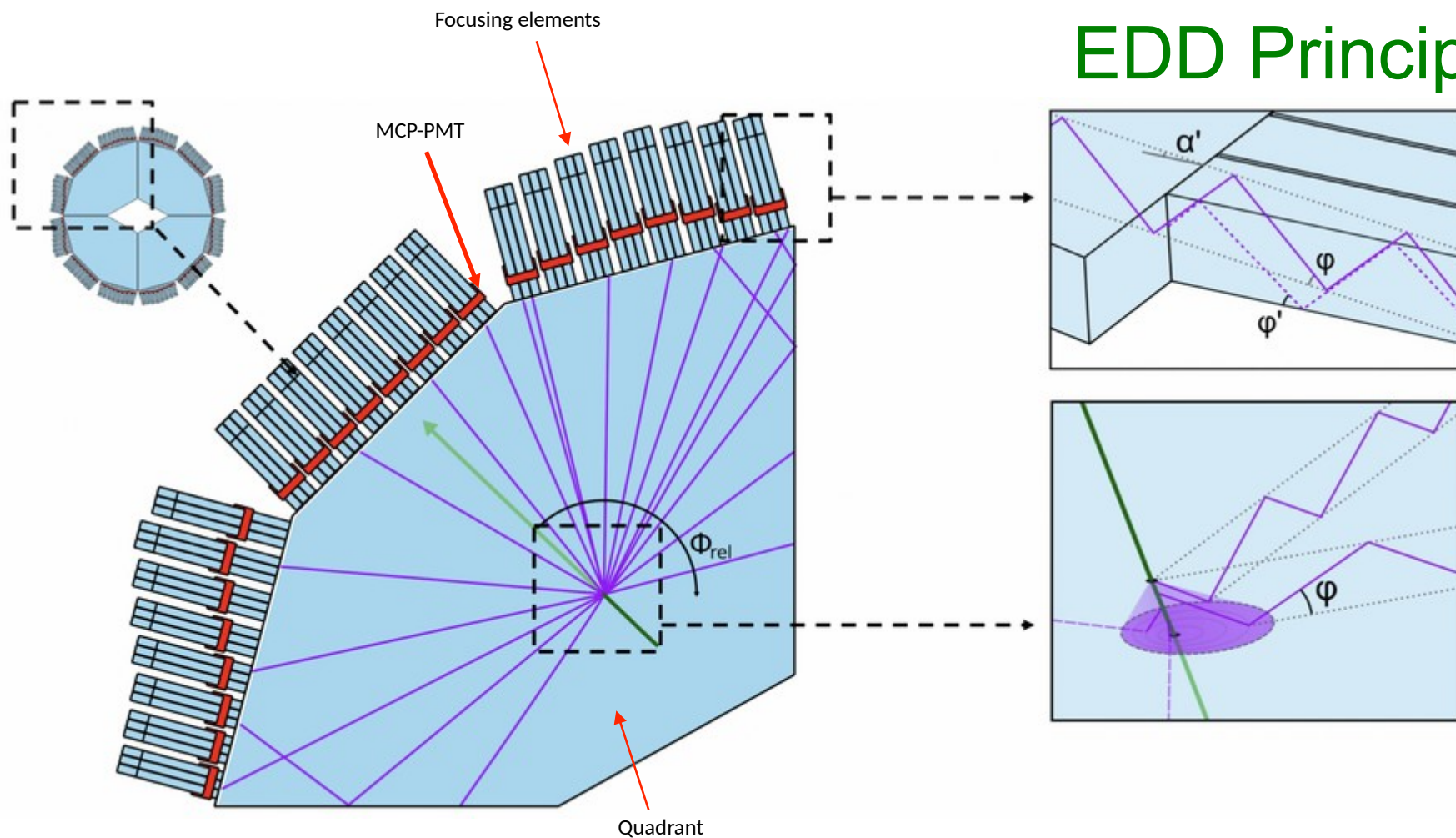


# Endcap Disc DIRC (EDD)

- **Four independent quadrants**  
highly polished synthetic fused silica (quartz),  
20 mm thickness, 1056 mm outer radius
- **Holding frame**  
stabilizing cross for all four quadrants
- **Focusing optics**  
Expansion volume with focusing elements  
convert angle to position information
- **Sensors**  
96 MCP-PMT sensors with  
highly segmented anode (3 x 100 pixels)
- **Readout**  
TofPET2 ASIC, 64 channels  
1 ROM: 5 ASICs for 1 MCP-PMT,  
24 ROMs per quadrant,  
in total ~ 28800 pixels



# EDD Principle

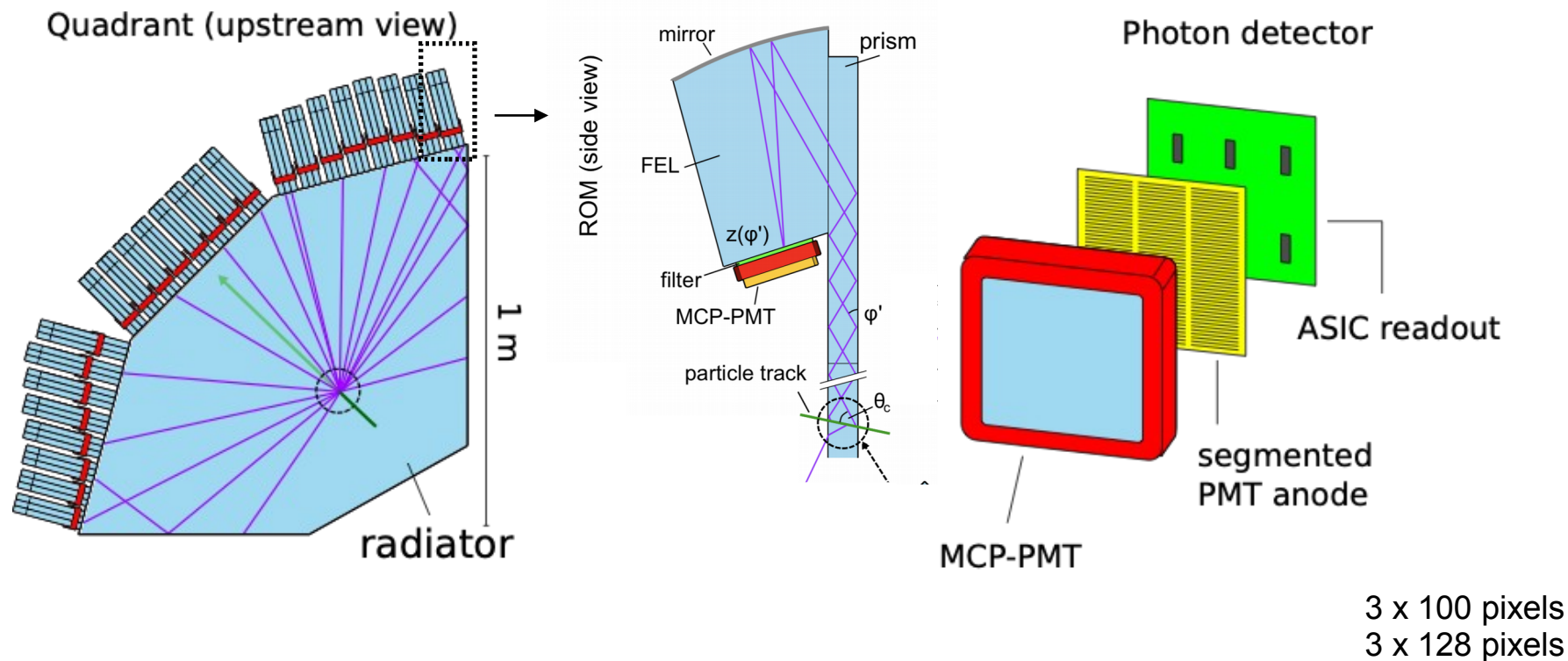


$$\theta_c = \arccos (\sin \theta_p \cos \phi_{rel} \cos \varphi + \cos \theta_p \sin \varphi)$$

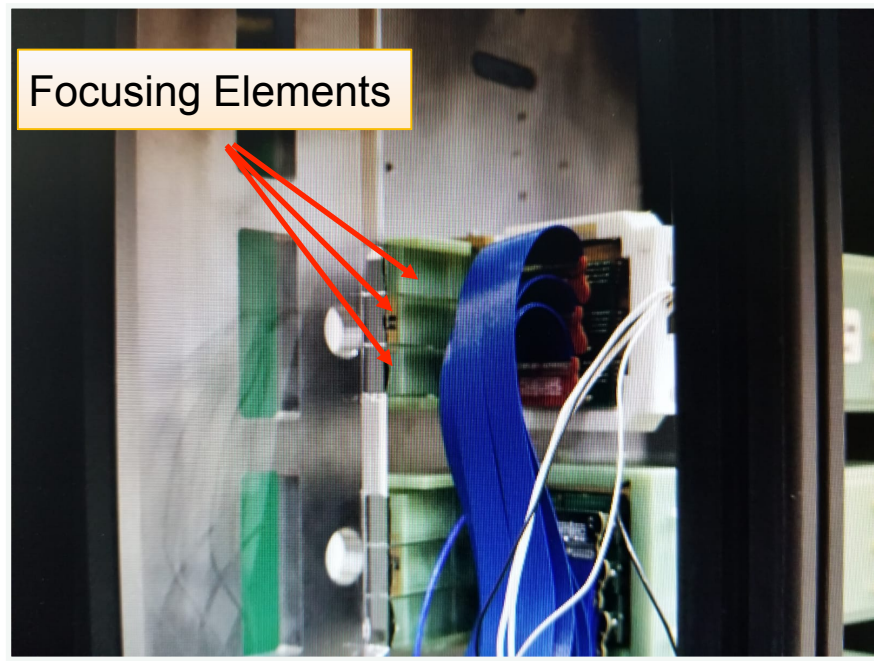


Optics made of synthetic fused silica

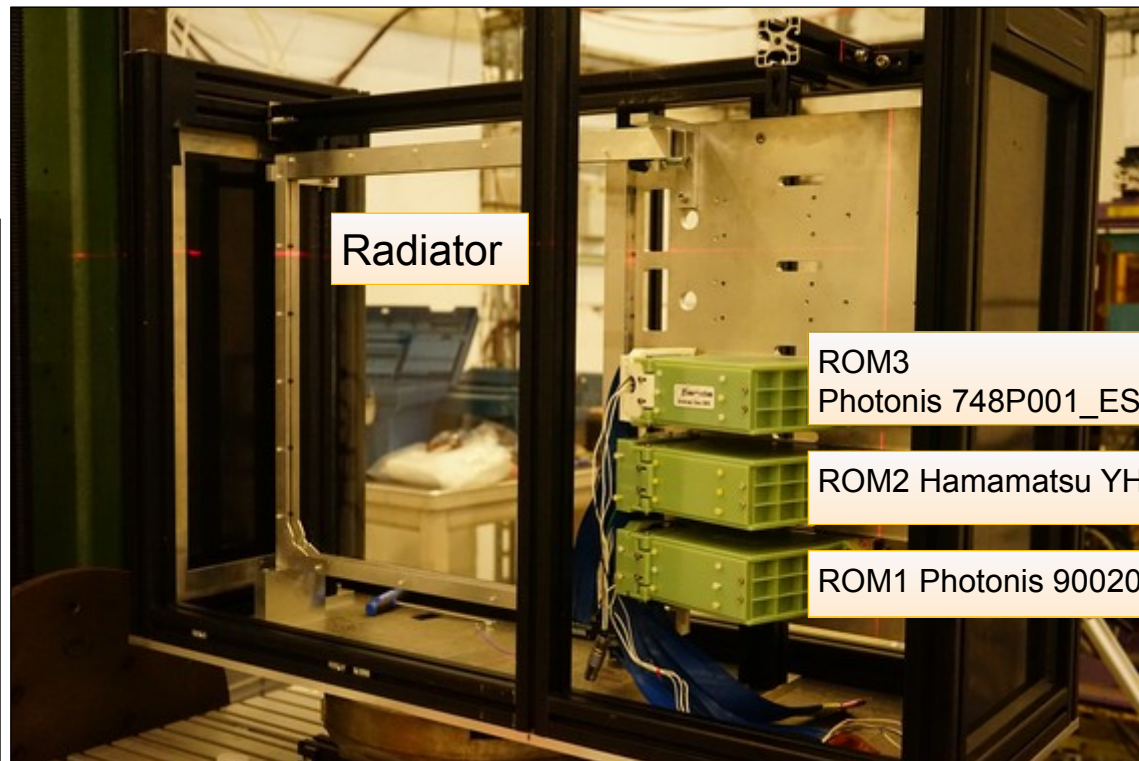
# EDD Design



# EDD Prototype from Test Beam 2018



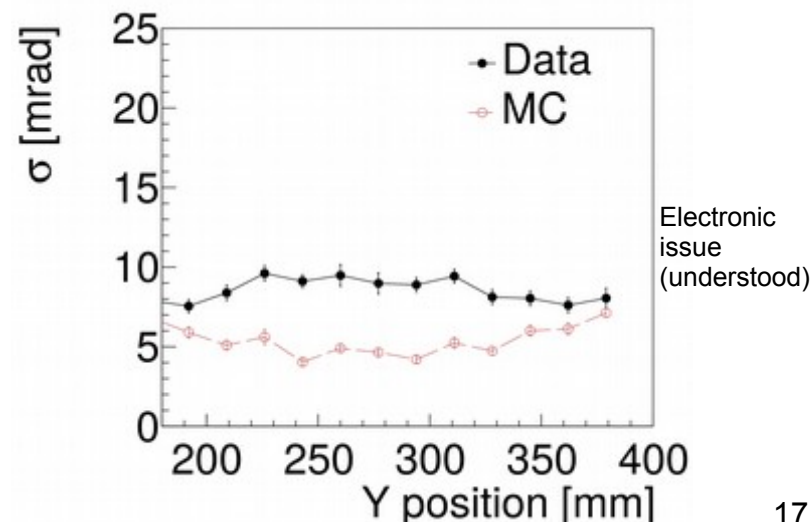
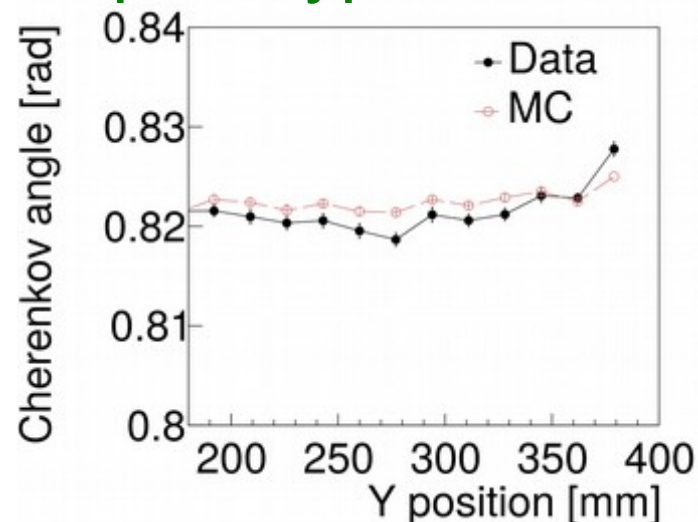
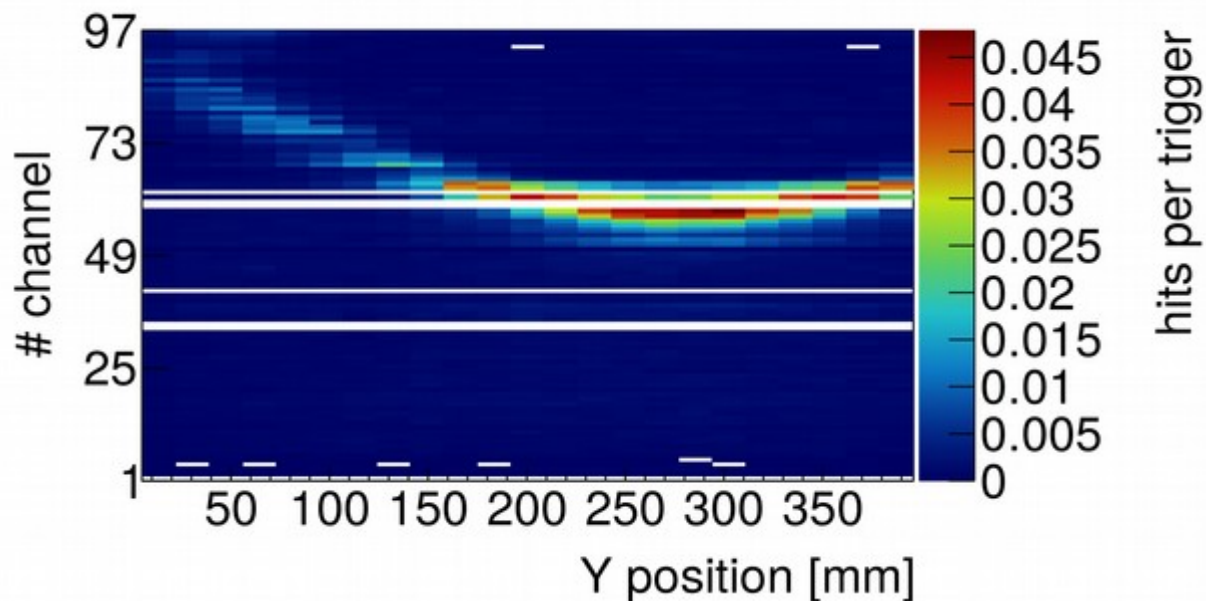
← Plate →



Radiator: Fused silica,  $500 \times 500 \times 20 \text{ mm}^3$   
9 focusing elements (FELs),  
3 readout modules (ROM),  
3 photon sensors (MCP-PMTs)

# Selected test-beam results for the EDD prototype: 2018

Y-scan @ 10 GeV/c

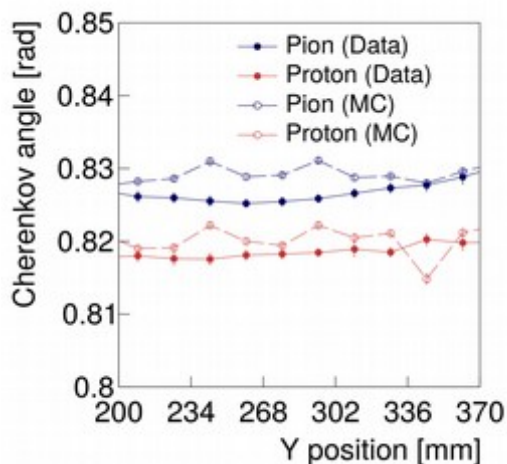




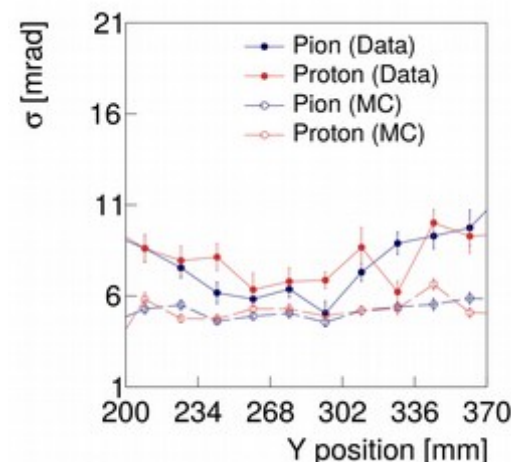
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Y-scan

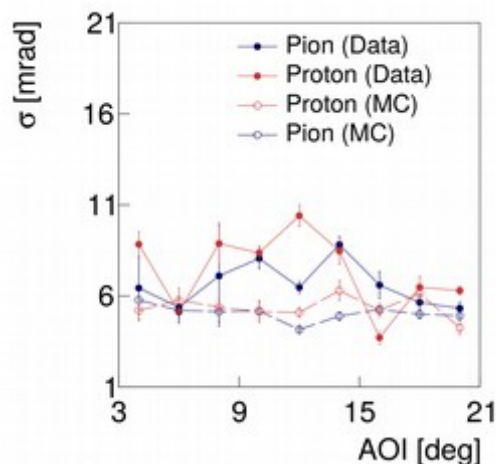
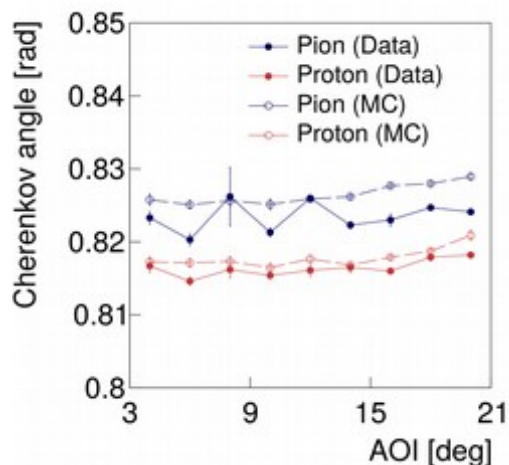
Cherenkov angle (rad)



Single photon resolution (mrad)



Angle-scan  
angle of incident  
(AOI)



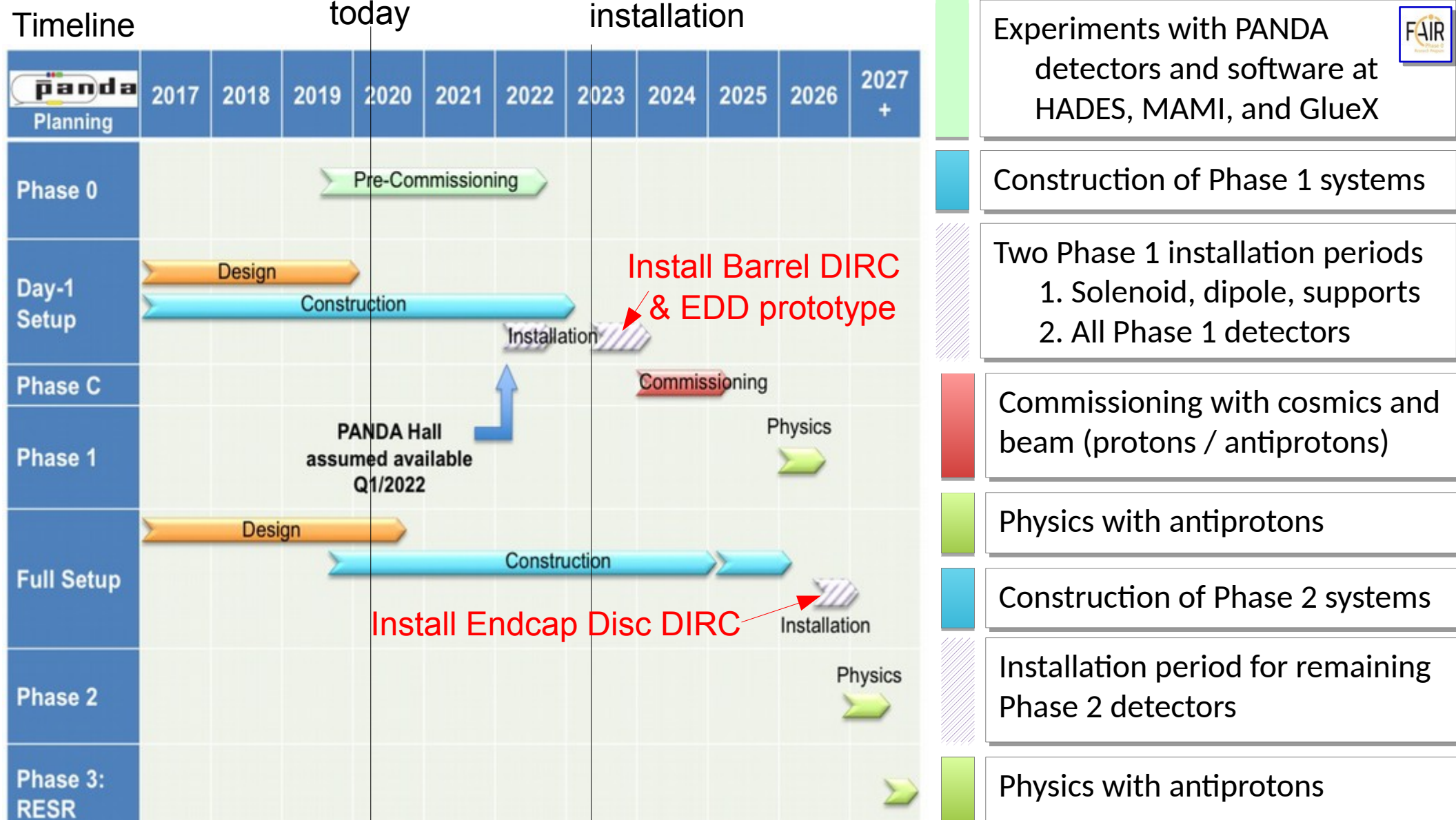
Barrel DIRC and  
Endcap Disc DIRC  
performance validated  
in test beams,

Both TDRs  
are completed

→ next steps ?

# Next steps

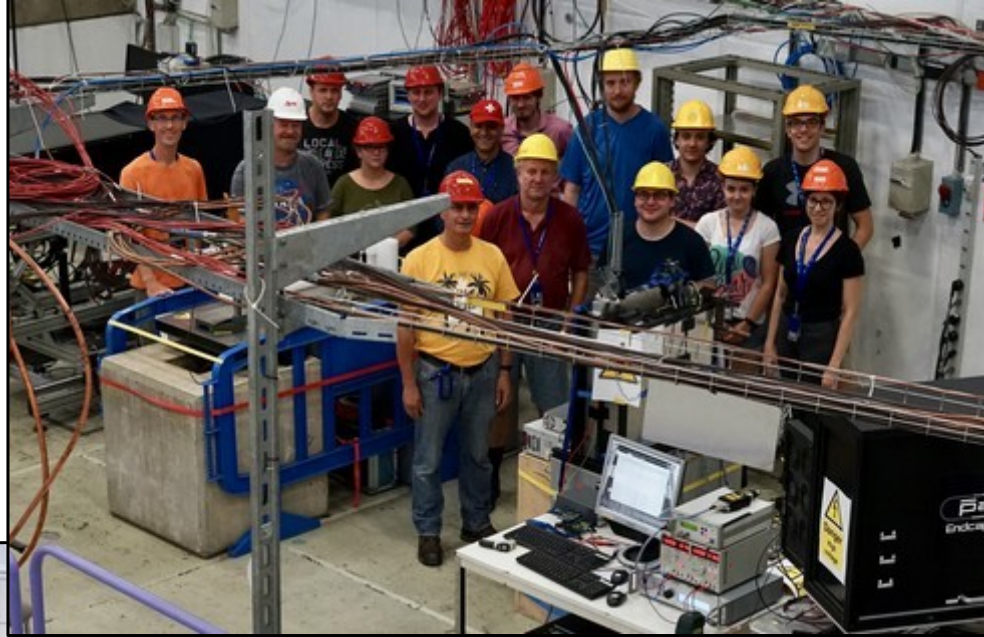
- **2020-2022:** Industrial fabrication of **Barrel DIRC** main components (sensors, bars, lenses, prisms), Production and QA of readout electronics.
- **2021-2022:** Industrial fabrication of **Barrel DIRC** bar boxes and mechanical support frame; QA of all components; gluing of long bars, assembly of complete sectors.
- **2023/2024:** Installation in PANDA, commissioning.
  
- **2021-2024:** Industrial fabrication of 4 independent **Endcap Disc Dirc** quadrants and mechanical support frame, gluing of focusing elements/plates, detailed scans of all sensors assembly of readout units.
- **2023/2024:** Installing prototype in phase 1: One quadrant with 3 ROMs.
- **2025:** Completing the quality assurance of components.
- **2026/2027:** Installation of the **Endcap Disc DIRC** into the PANDA detector and commissioning.





# Summary

- The **Barrel DIRC design** with narrow bars, 3-layer spherical lens, and compact prisms **meets or exceeds the PANDA PID requirements**.
- The **mass production has started**. First 4 bars are shipped this week by Nikon.
- Final state of **MCP tendering**.
- The **Endcap Disc DIRC** with **4 independent quadrants and focusing optics** is a key component of the PANDA PID system.
- The **Endcap Disc DIRC** PID performance is successfully validated in particle beams.



Thank You

