

TORCH - Cherenkov and Time-of-Flight PID Detector for the LHCb upgrade at CERN

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with industrial partner Photek)

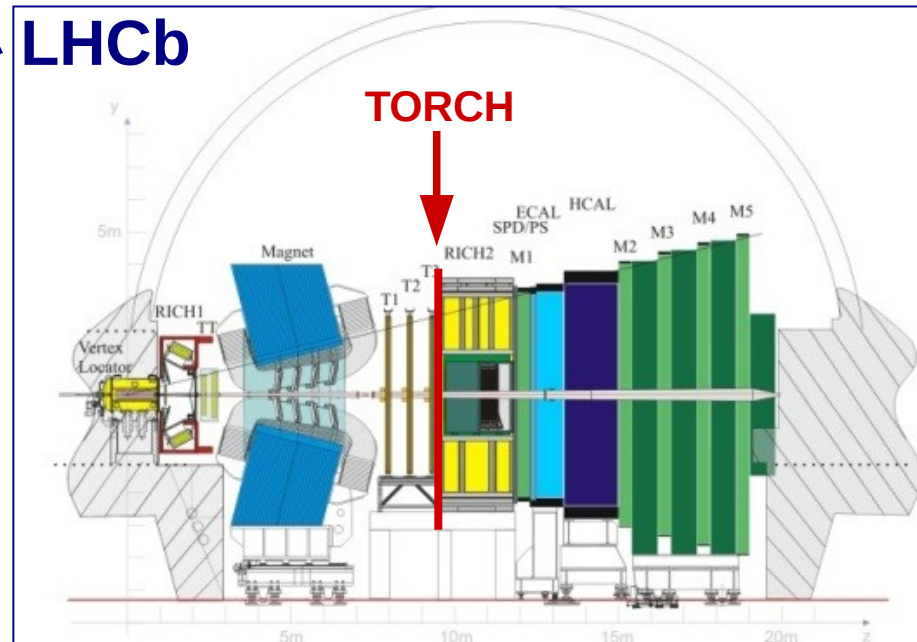
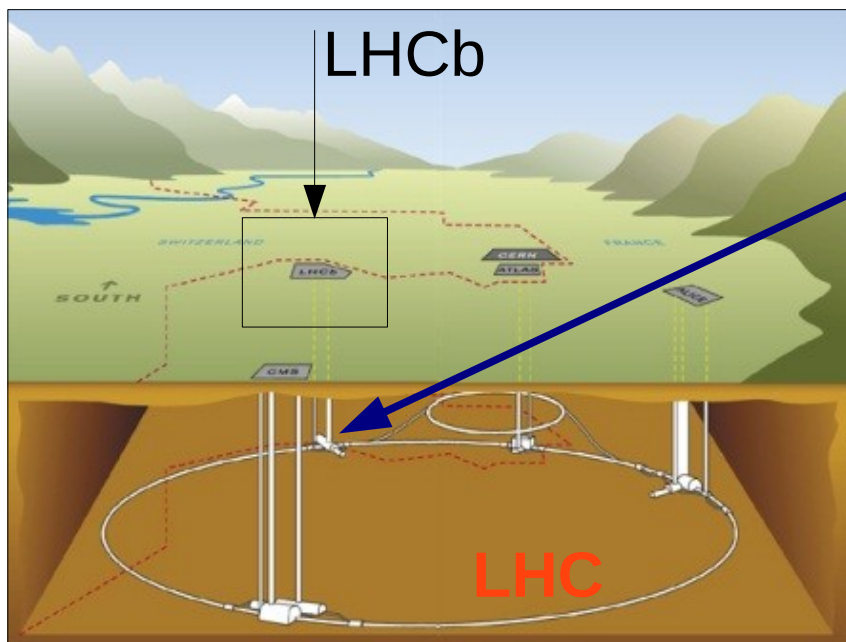
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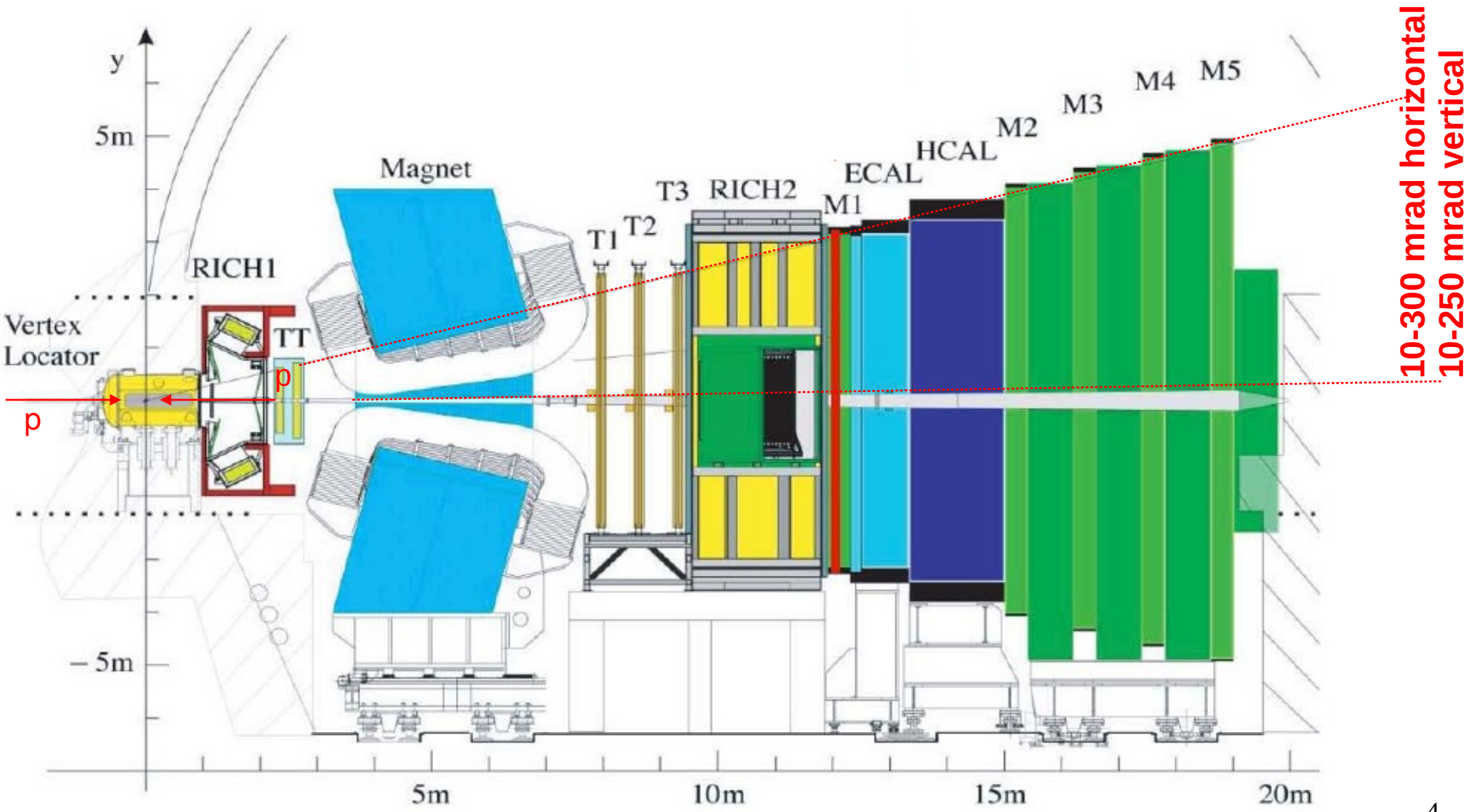
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Outline

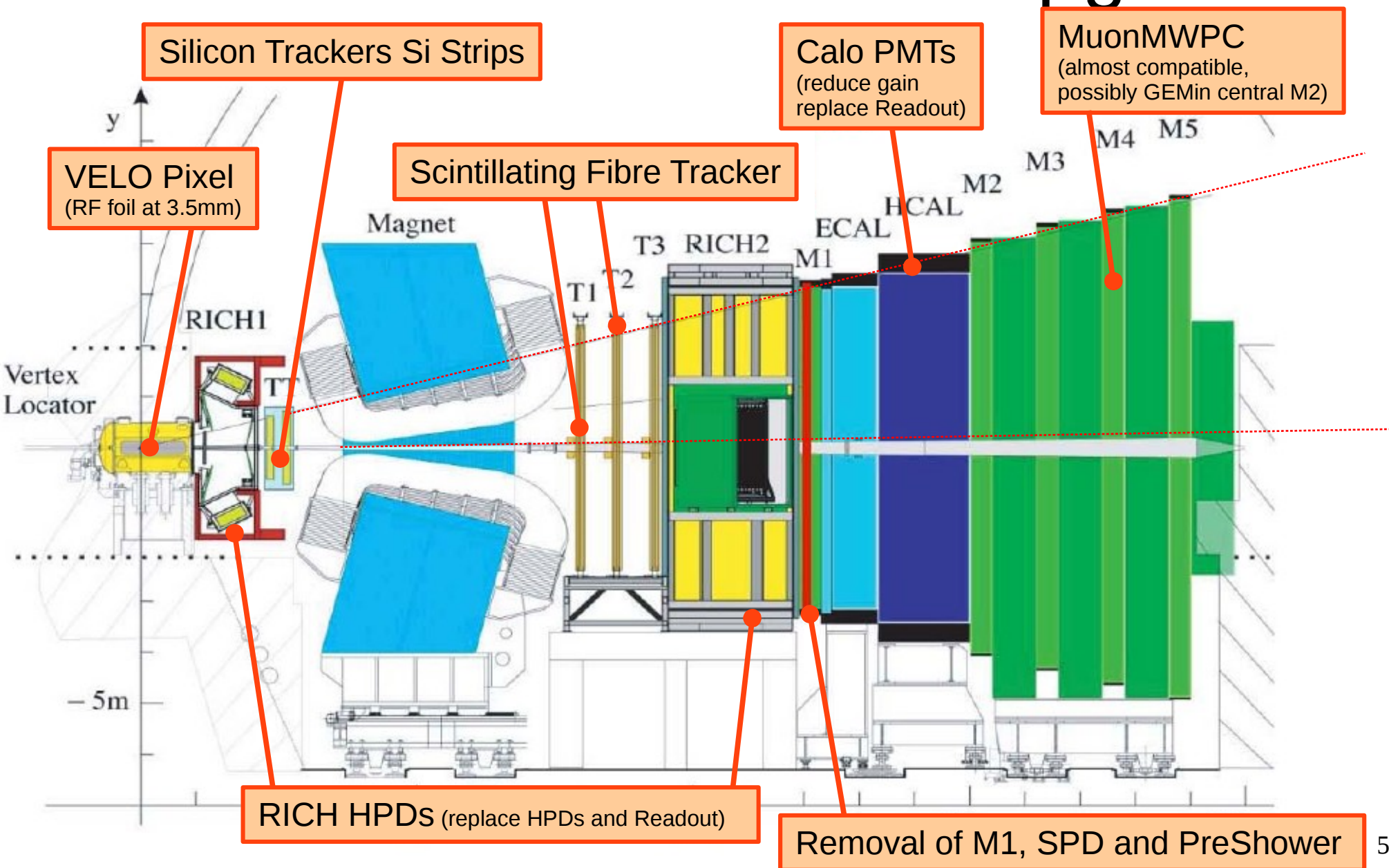
- TORCH within an upgraded LHCb
- TORCH design and principles
- Photon sensors
- Electronics
- Test beam introduction
- BaBar bar boxes as option



LHCb at CERN



LHCb – LS2 Detector Upgrades



Envisaged upgrades of LHCb during CERN Long Shutdown 2.

LHCb upgrade during LS2

goals:

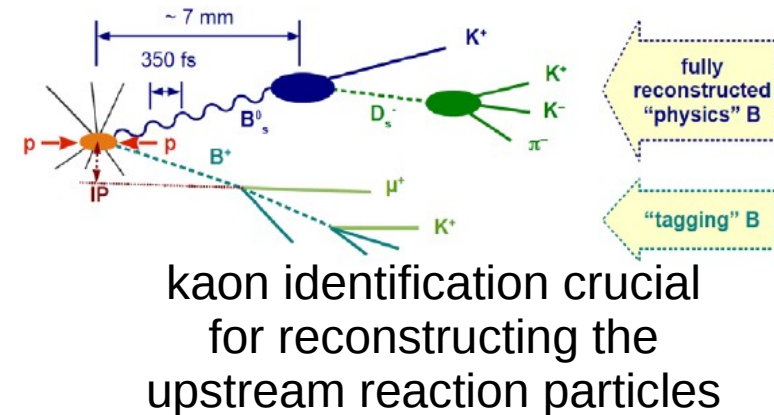
- Increase statistics by factor of 10
- Improve access to hadronic modes

how-to:

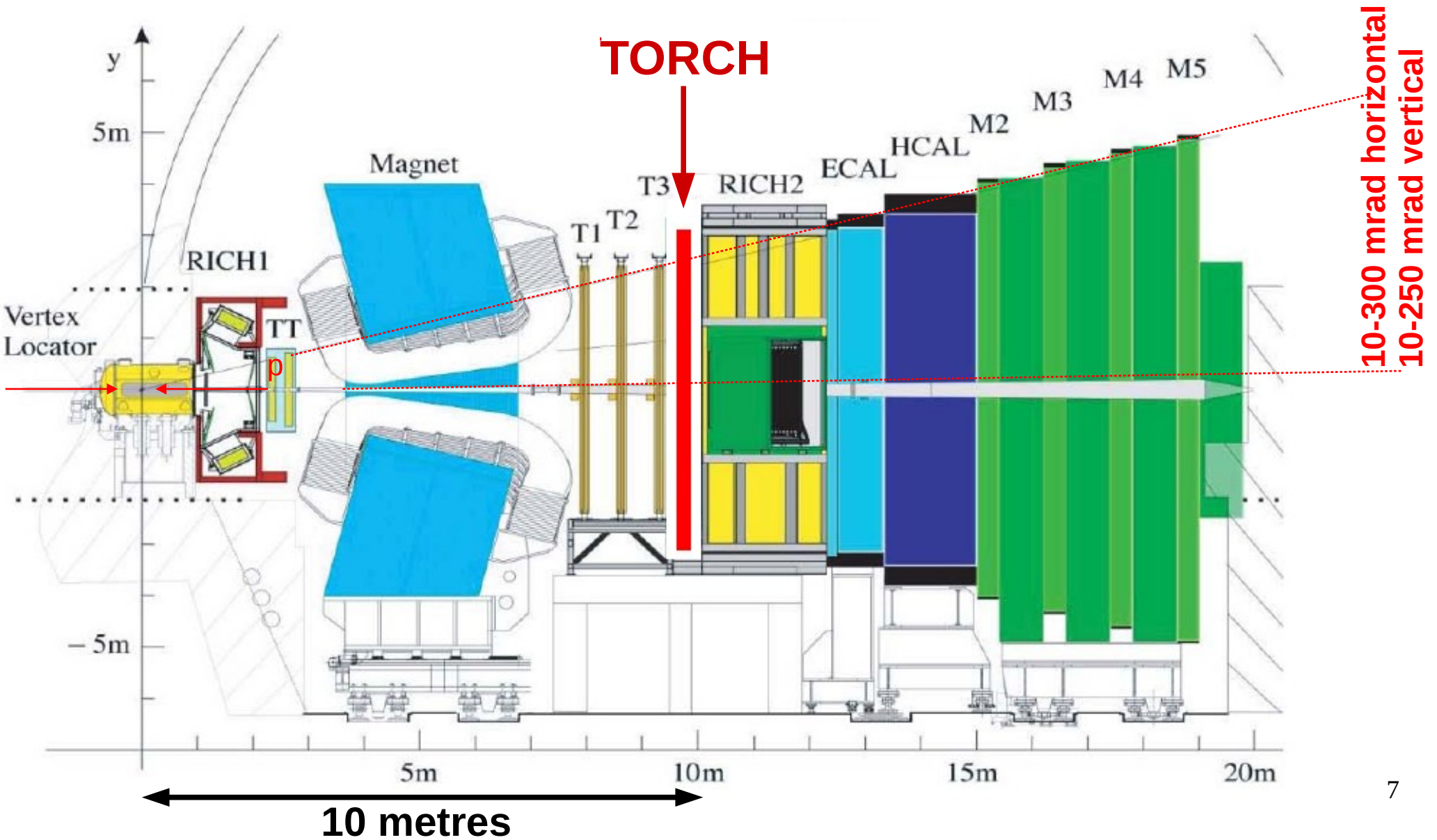
- Increase luminosity
 - >100 kHz to 1 MHz of $b\bar{b}$ pairs at LHCb interaction point
- Increase efficiency of hadronic channels by factor >2
- Improve output bandwidth, fully software trigger and lower p_T

reason:

- To give access to new modes and observables

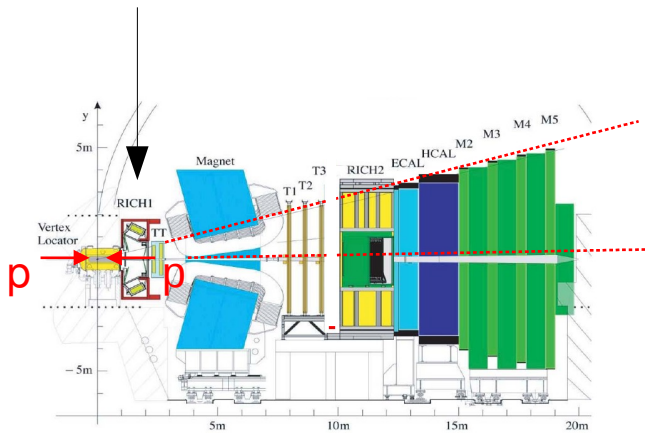


TORCH location within LHCb at CERN



Motivation for TORCH 1

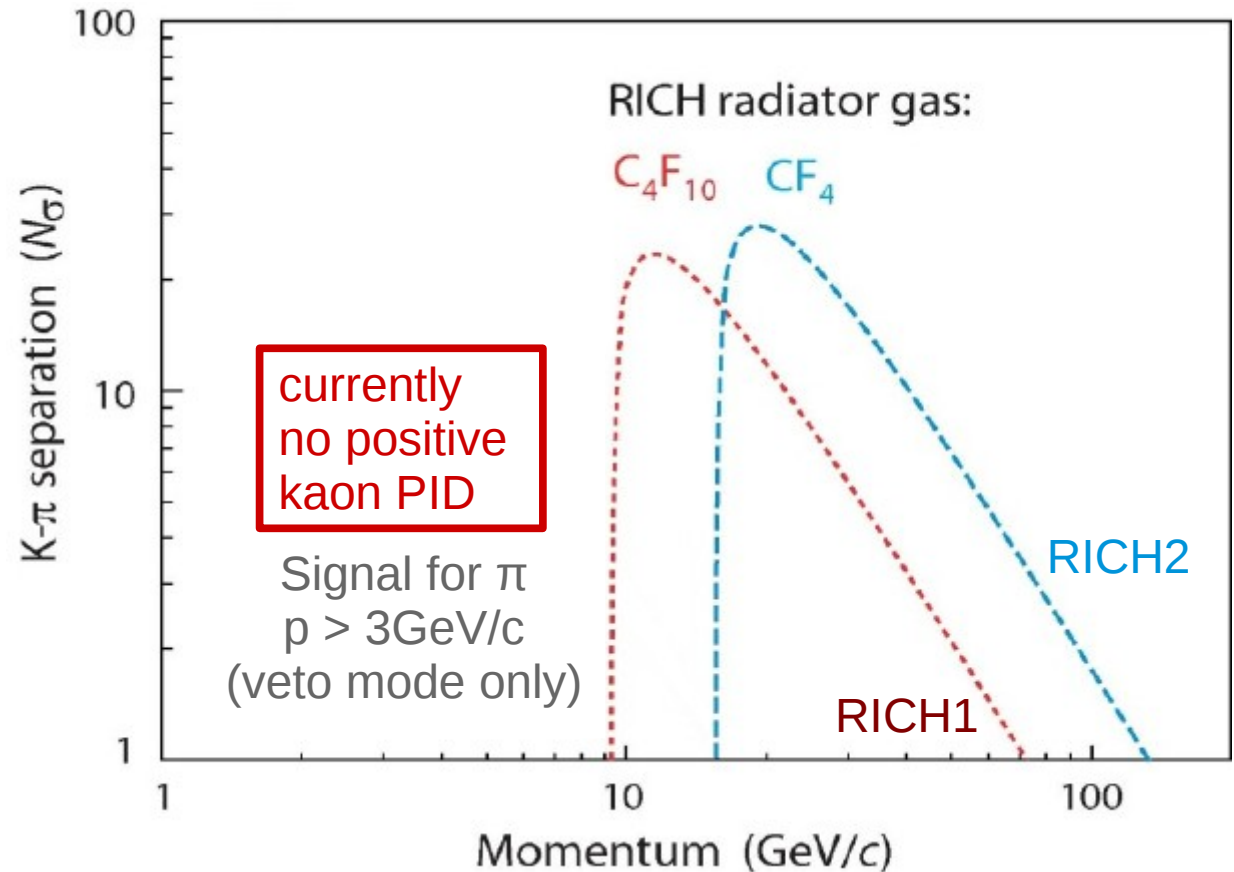
RICH1



Momentum 1-10 GeV/c :

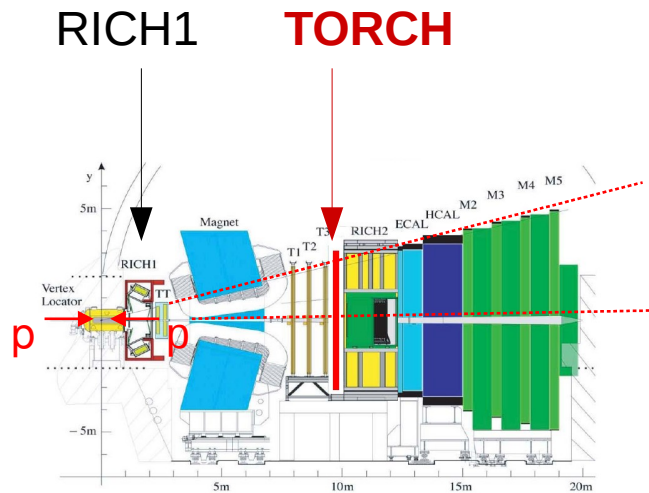
PID not covered in LHCb
with aerogel now removed
from RICH1 detector

- Low photon yield
- Resolution not as expected
- Added occupancy



Idealised PID Performance of RICH detectors

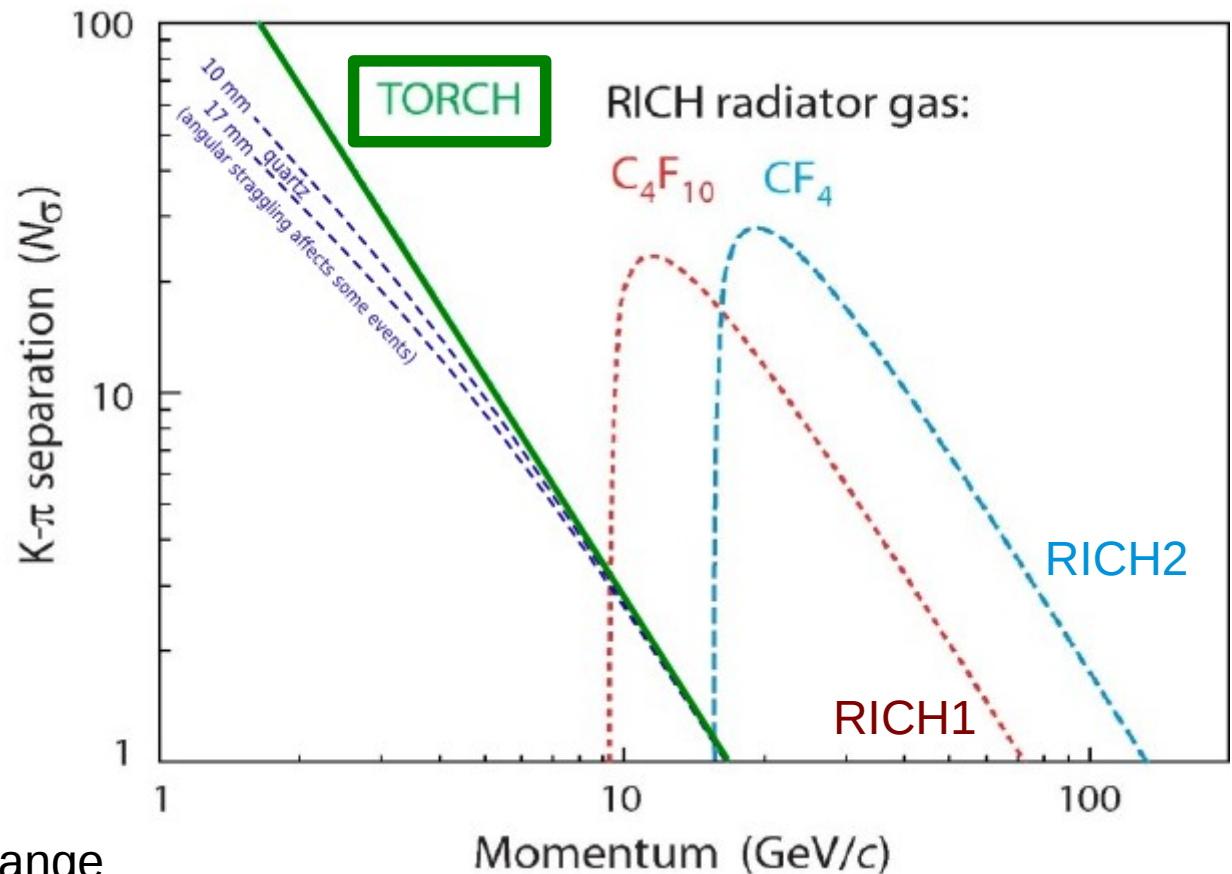
Motivation for TORCH 2



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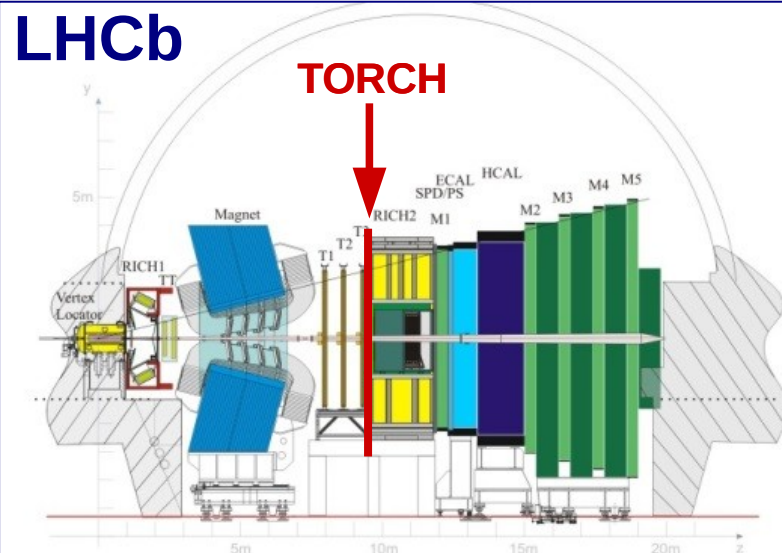
PID not covered in LHCb with aerogel now removed from RICH1 detector

For kaons positive PID in the range $p = 1-10 \text{ GeV/c}$ can be achieved by adding the TORCH detector

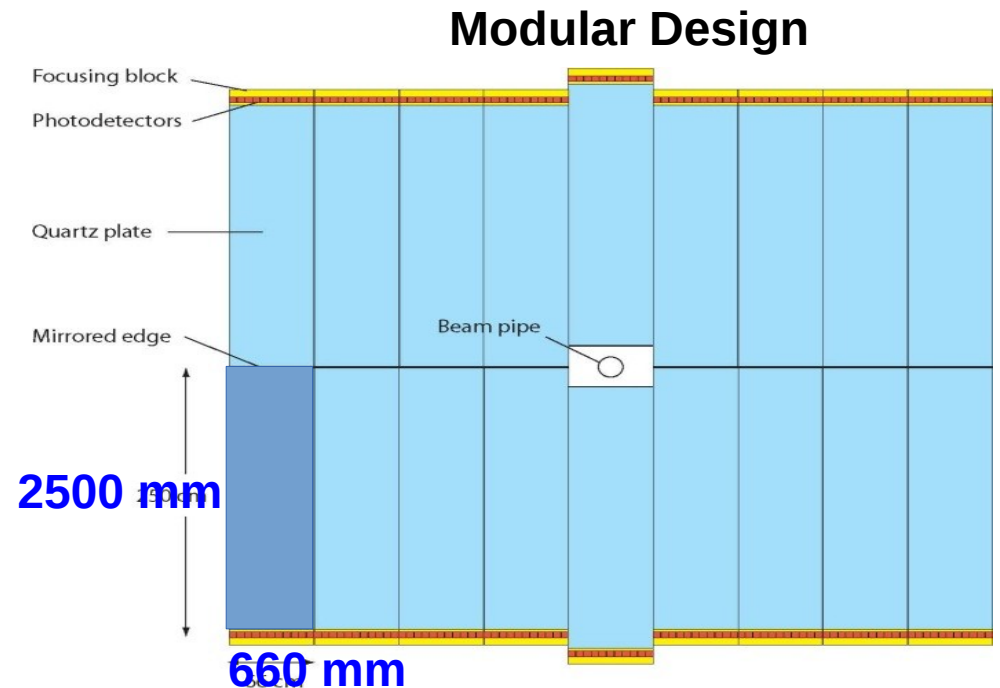
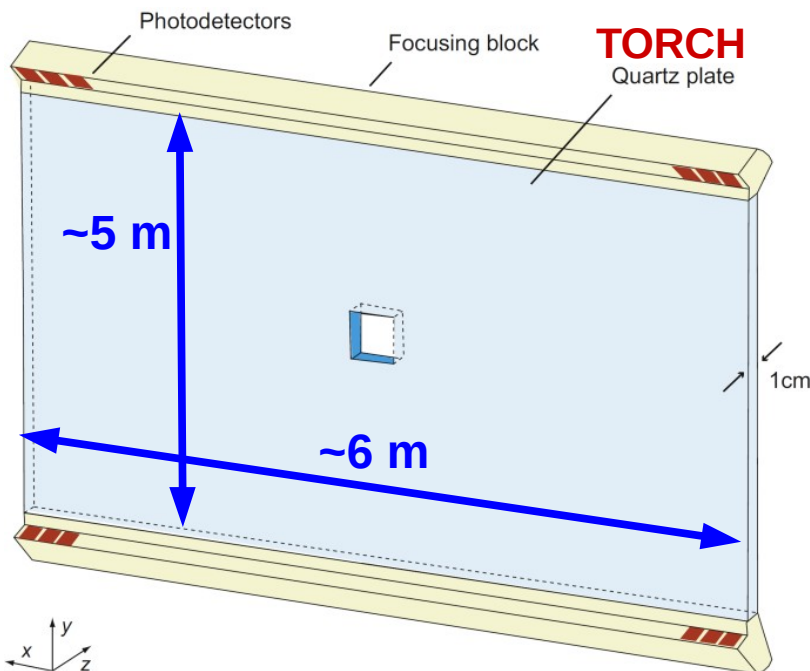


Idealised PID Performance of TORCH alongside RICH detectors

TORCH overall geometry

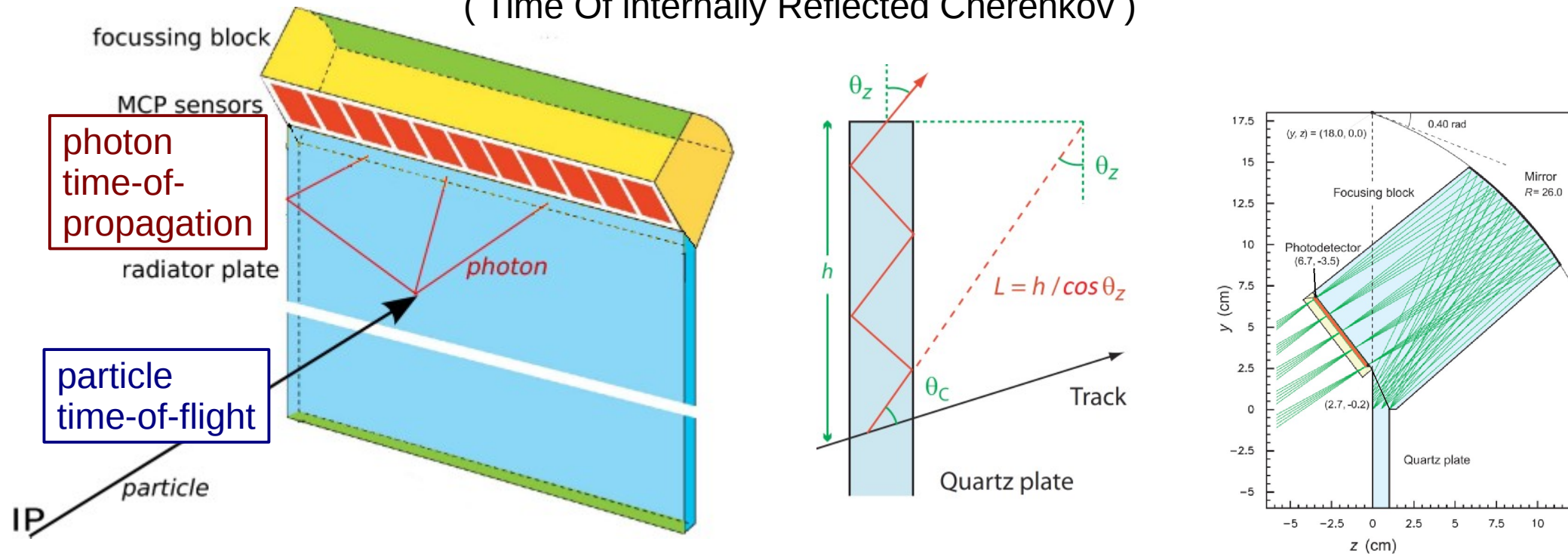


- Overall area about $6 \times 5 \text{ m}^2$
- Plate thickness $\sim 10 \text{ mm}$ ($\sim 15\text{-}17\text{mm}$ still acceptable)
- 18 tiles of $660 \times 2500 \text{ mm}^2$ in Modular Design



Basics of the TORCH design

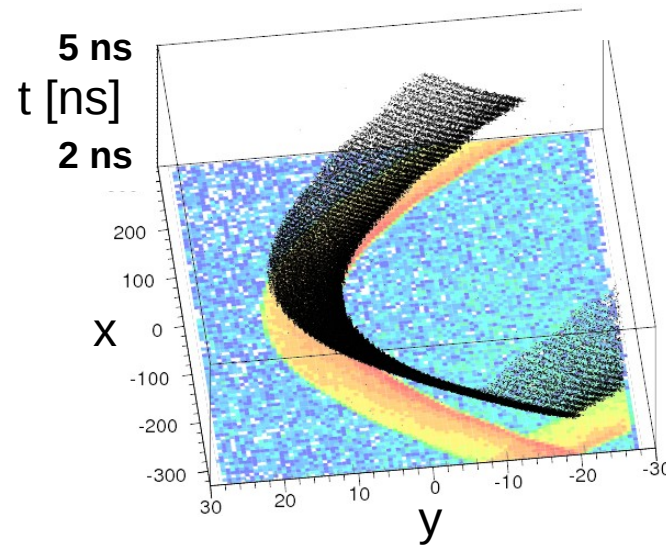
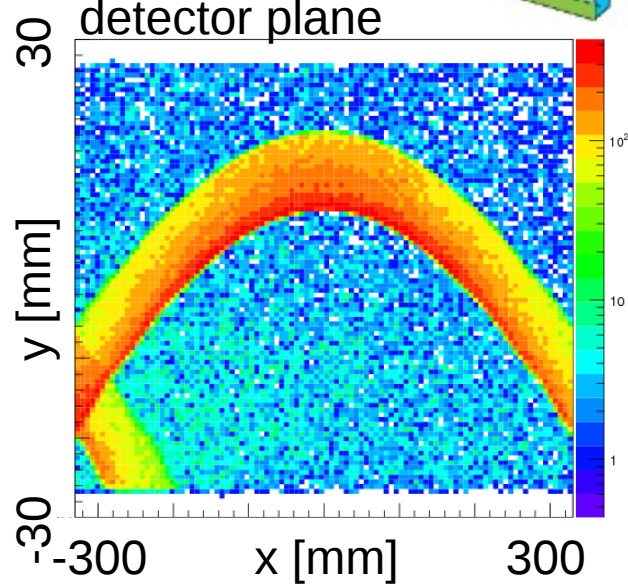
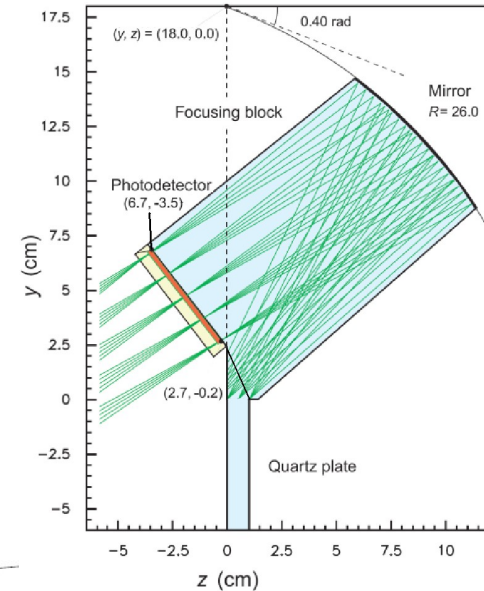
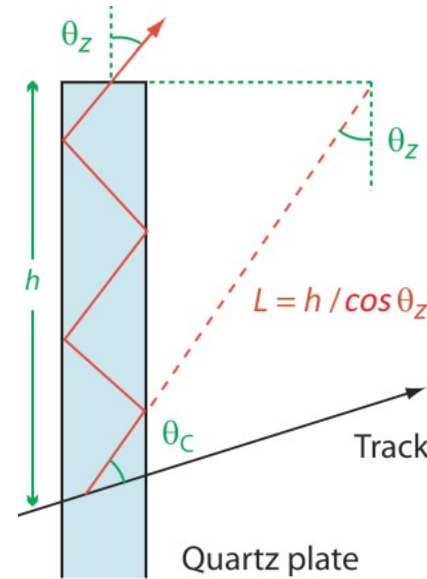
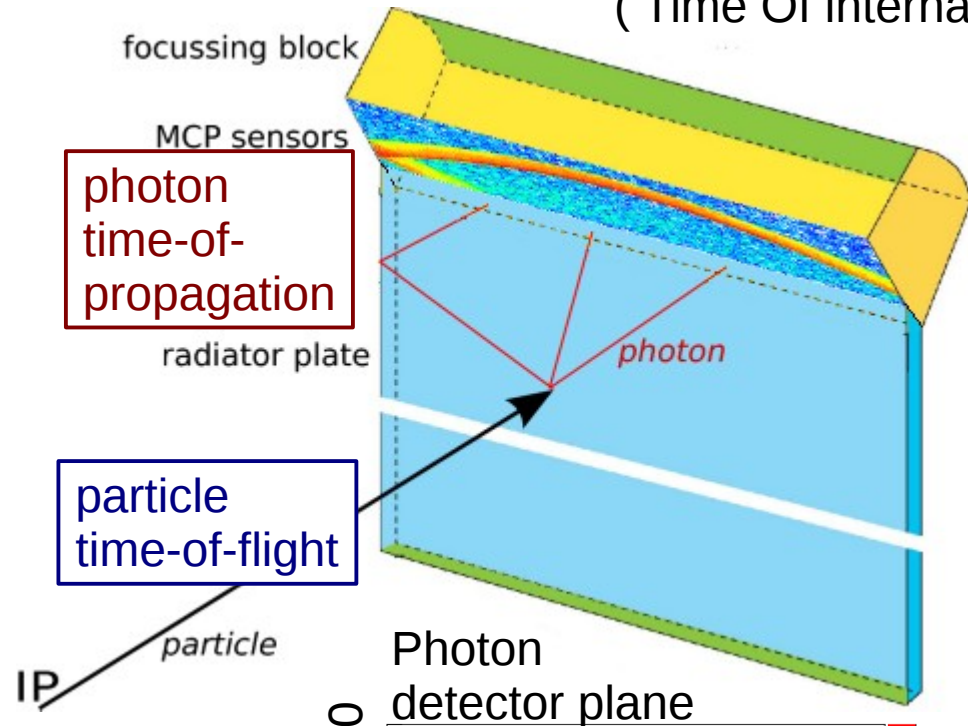
(Time Of internally Reflected Cherenkov)



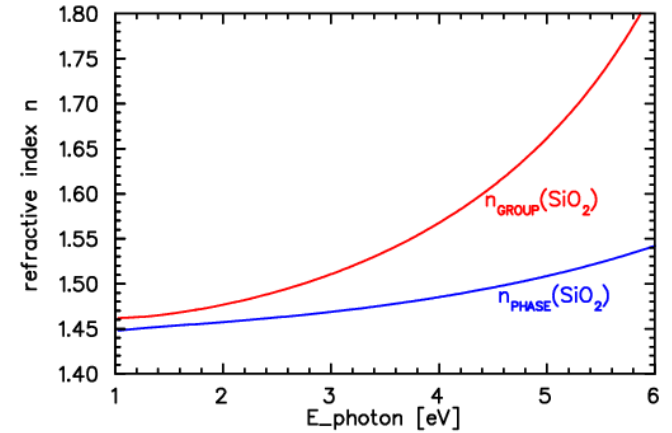
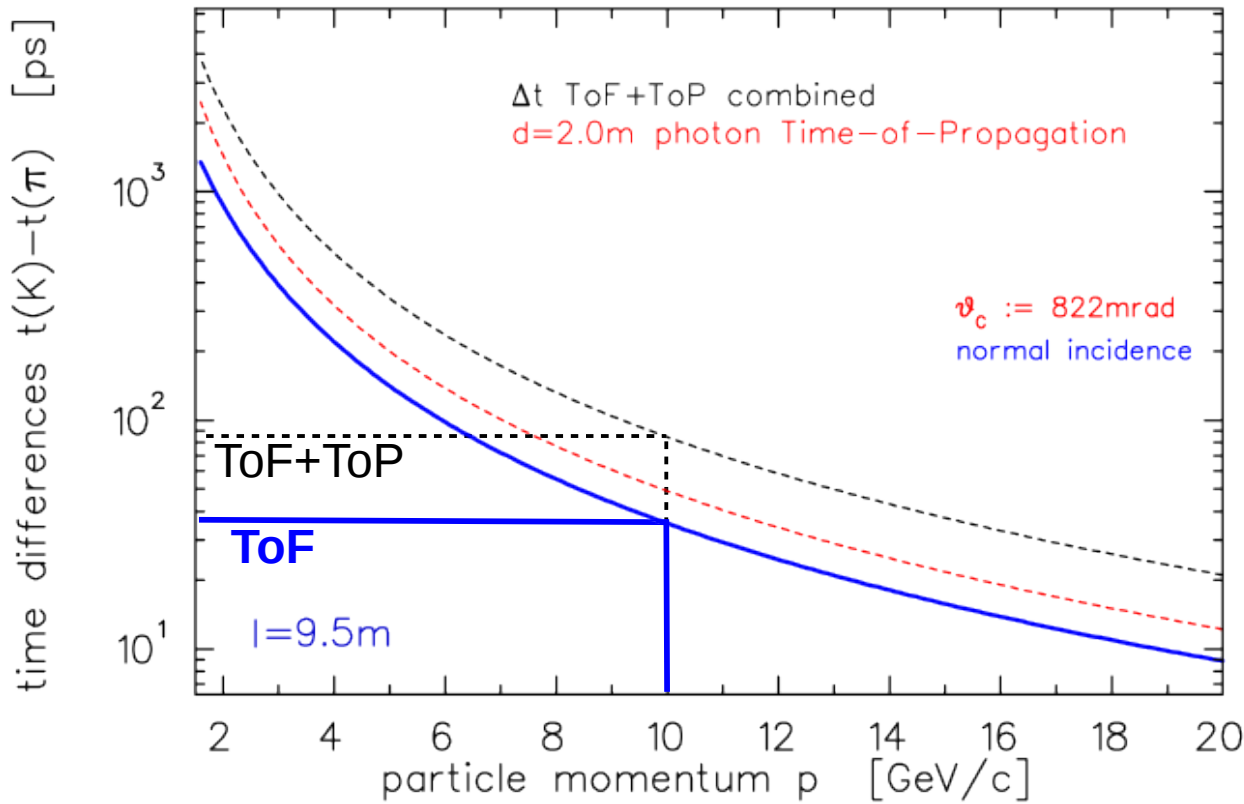
- θ_x measured via horizontal position on MCP sensors
- θ_z measured via cylindrical mirror focussing

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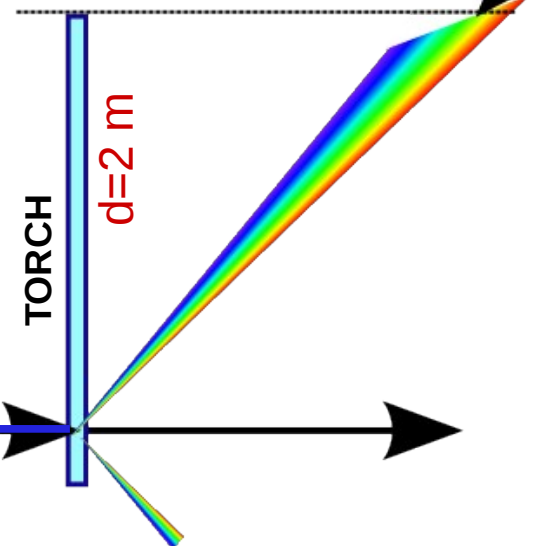
TORCH principle



$$\cos \vartheta_C = (\beta \cdot n_{\text{PHASE}})^{-1}$$

$$t = s/v = n_{\text{GROUP}} \cdot s/c$$

measured angle



$\sigma \sim 10\text{-}15$ ps per track required

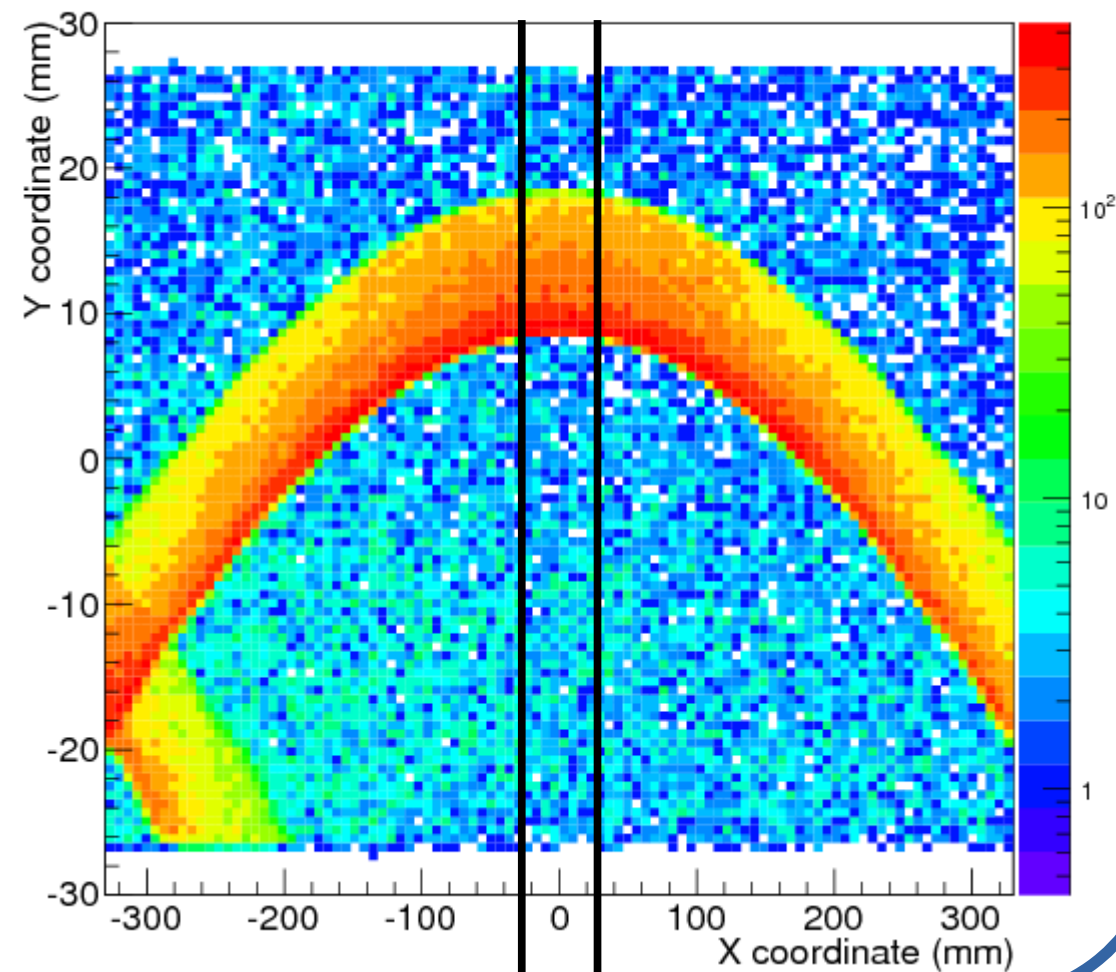
$l=9.5\text{ m}$ particle flight path

tracking

IP

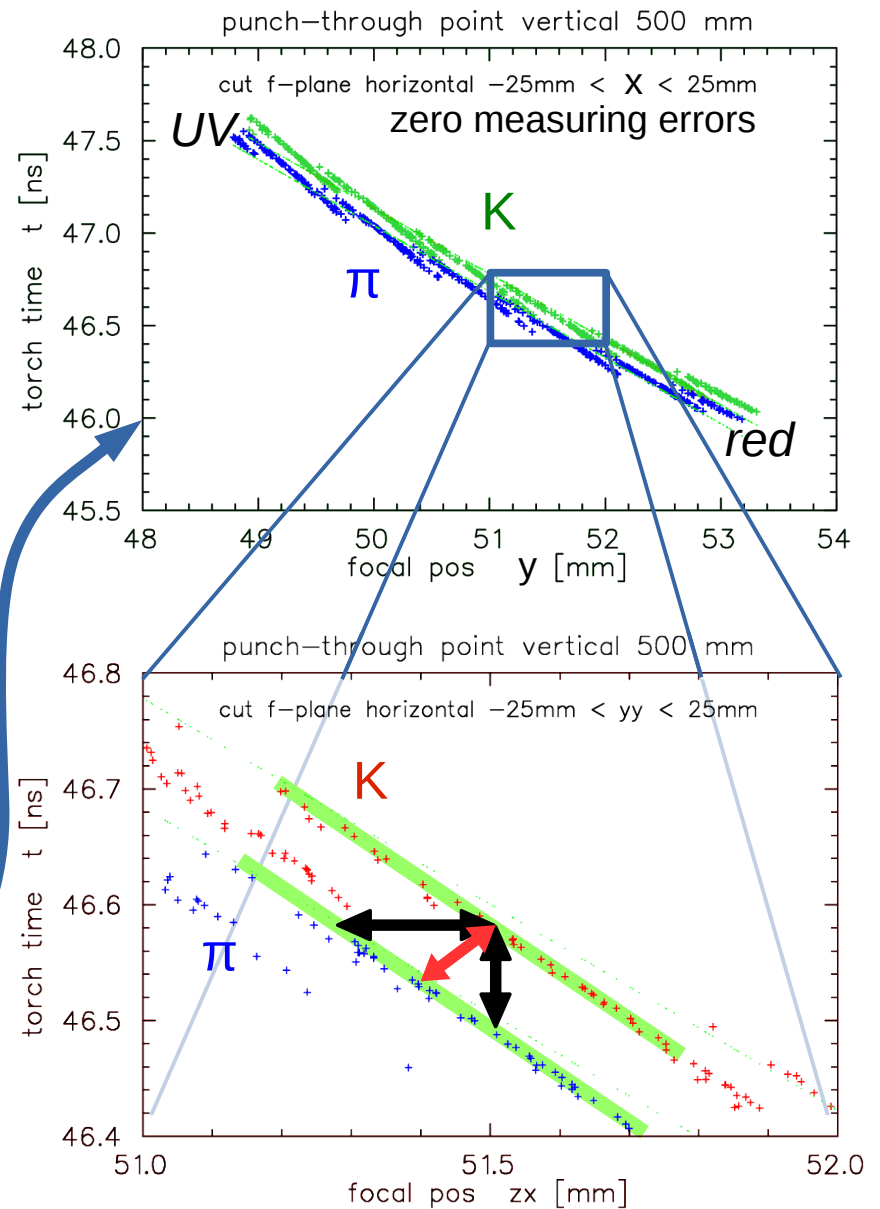
TORCH module simulation

Detected photons



cut [-25mm,25mm]

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Required resolutions

- Optical resolution ~1 to 2 mrad
(sigma, all effects combined)
 - Cherenkov material
 - Radiator propagation
 - Angles preserved
 - High photon transmission
 - Low light background
 - Focussing optics
 - Sensor resolution
- Time resolution ~50ps
 - Photon sensors (MCPs)
 - Analog electronics (amplifier)
 - Logical electronics (discriminator)
 - Digital discretisation (TDC)
 - Clock synchronisation

Optical properties

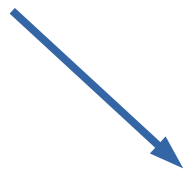
- Material geometry

- Overall size
- Surfaces geometry



- Material bulk

- Refractive index variations (random, systematic)
- Absorption chemical impurities
- Absorption physical impurities



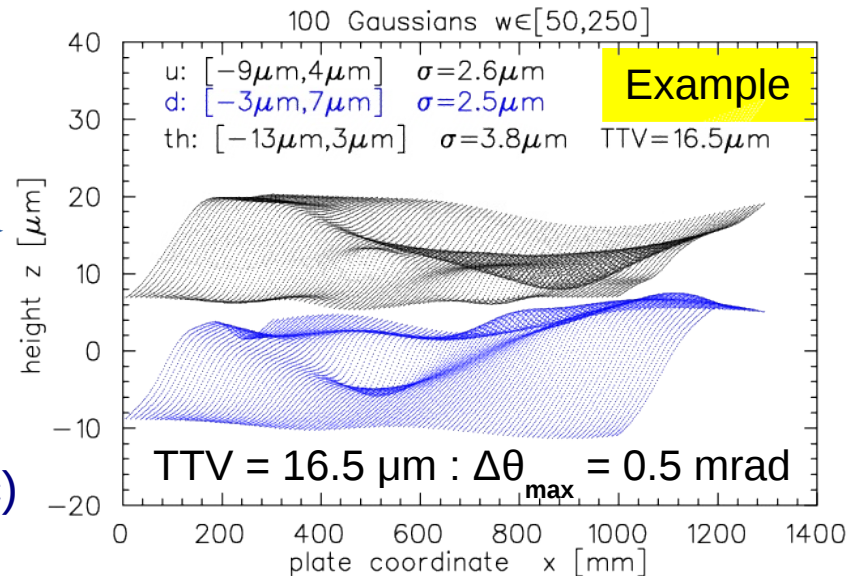
- Material surface

- Scratches/digs, cracks, sharp edges vs bevels
- Dirt deposition
- Surface roughness

$Rq=0.5nm / R_{RMS}=0.5nm$
 incomplete specification

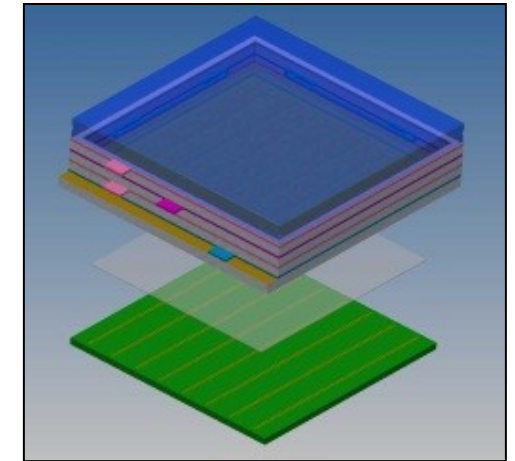
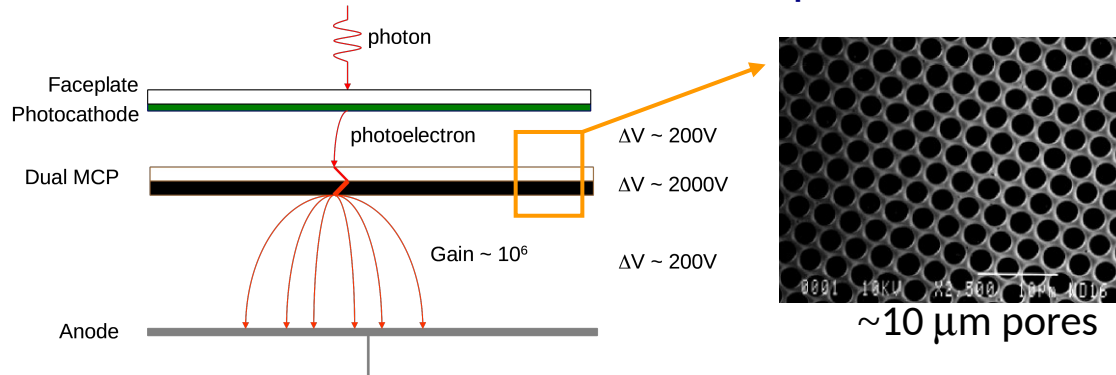
- Random / local $\Delta n < 1 \cdot 10^{-4}$
- hence $\Delta n < 1 \cdot 10^{-5}$ averaged
- periodic layers give diffraction patterns

- photon energy range 2 eV to 5.5 eV
- Rq spatial bandwidth 1 mm to 80 nm
- (wider than standard in ISO 10110-8)



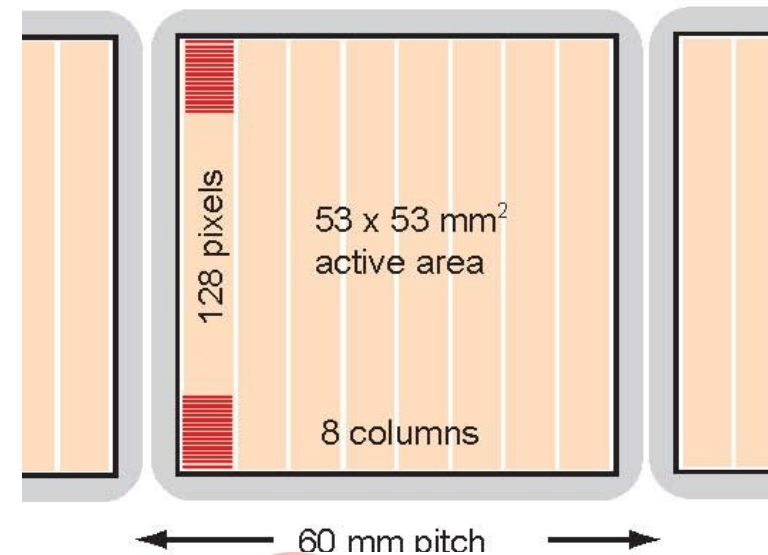
Photon sensor (MCP) resolution

- Time resolution $\sigma = 50-70$ ps single photon
 - MCP sensors suitable for the required fast timing

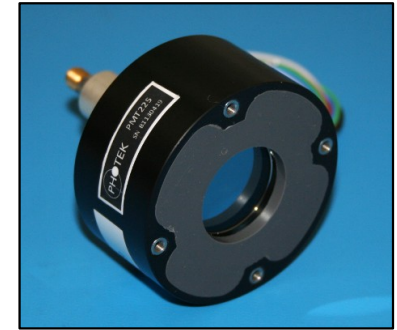


- Anode pad structure adjustable
- Range $\Delta\theta_z = 0.4$ rad, resolution ~ 1 mrad
 - 128 pixels ($400\text{mrad}/(128 \sqrt{12}) \sim 1$ mrad)
- Lateral direction requires 6mm pixel width
 - 128x8 pixels required
 - 64x8 if using charge sharing / centroiding

The development of a suitable detector with this layout is a focus of the R&D with industrial partner Photek(UK).



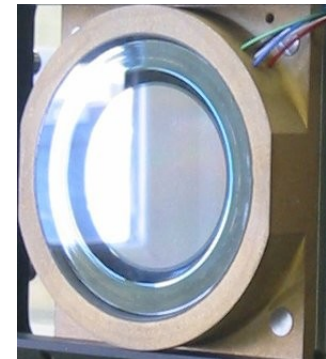
Photek project phases



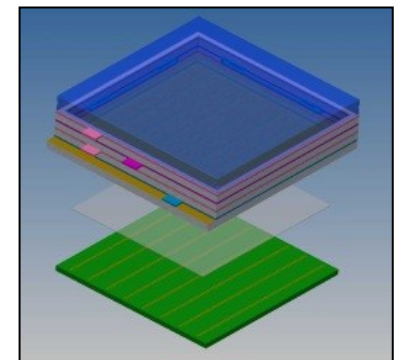
phase 1 tube

Fast photon detectors with high spatial resolution and extended lifetime.

- Phase 1 – Lifetime
 - Aim: 5 C/cm² collected anode charge
- Phase 2 – Resolution
 - Demonstrator pad pitch 0.828 mm
- Phase 3 – Square form factor
 - Square body in linearly tileable geometry



phase 2 tube



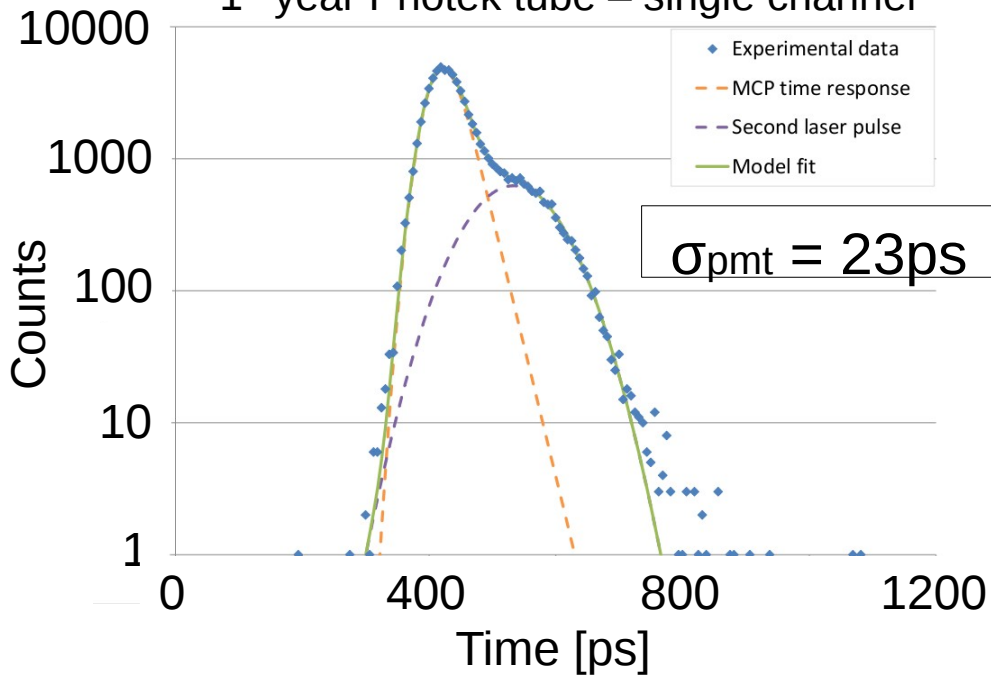
phase 3 tube
(visualisation)



The TORCH PMT, a close packing, multi-anode, long life MCP-PMT for Cherenkov applications (James Milnes, Photek)

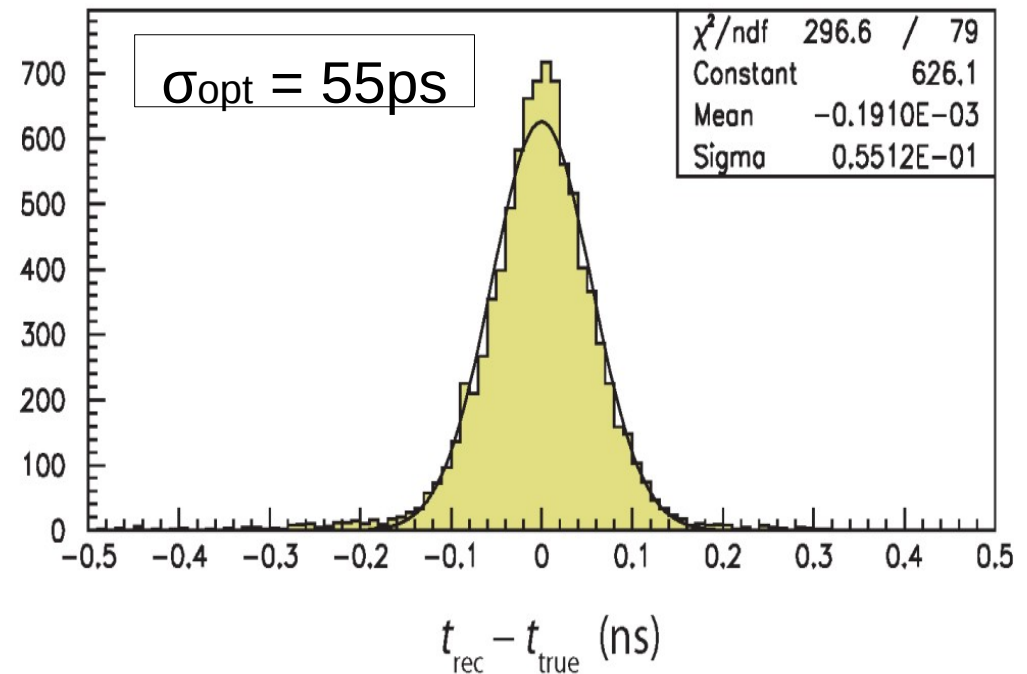
Timing – Sensor and Optical

1st year Photek tube – single channel



MCP timing distribution

result from simulation



Optics timing distribution (mostly granularity)

$$\sigma_{total} = \sqrt{\sigma_{pmt}^2 + \sigma_{opt}^2} \sim 60ps$$

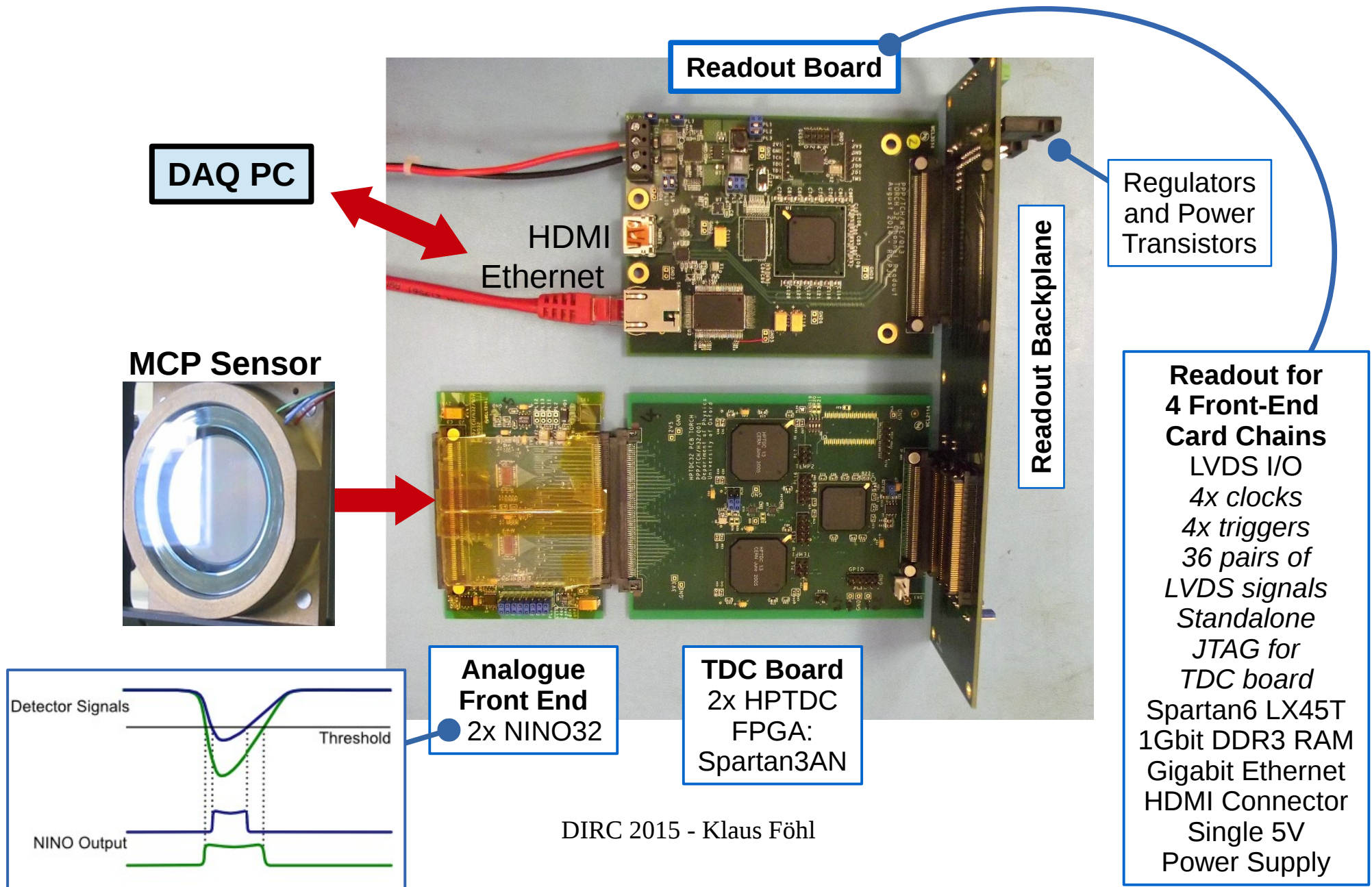


Development, characterization and beam tests of a small-scale TORCH prototype module (Lucía Castillo García, CERN and EPFL)

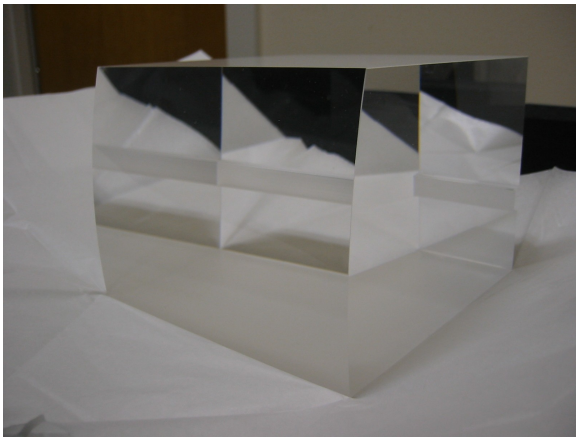
Electronics development: Goals

- Time-of-flight measurement of 128x8 channels per MCP (or 64x8 with charge sharing technique applied to achieve the 128x8 equivalent granularity)
- Fit within the 60mm dimension of a photon detector
- Overall timing resolution requirement is 70ps per single photon, electronics and MCP need to provide 50ps per channel
- Scalable design to suit different iterations of MCPs through stages of their development
- Flexible readout to be compatible with an experiment readout framework, e.g. LHCb (25ns beam crossing)

TORCH custom-made electronics



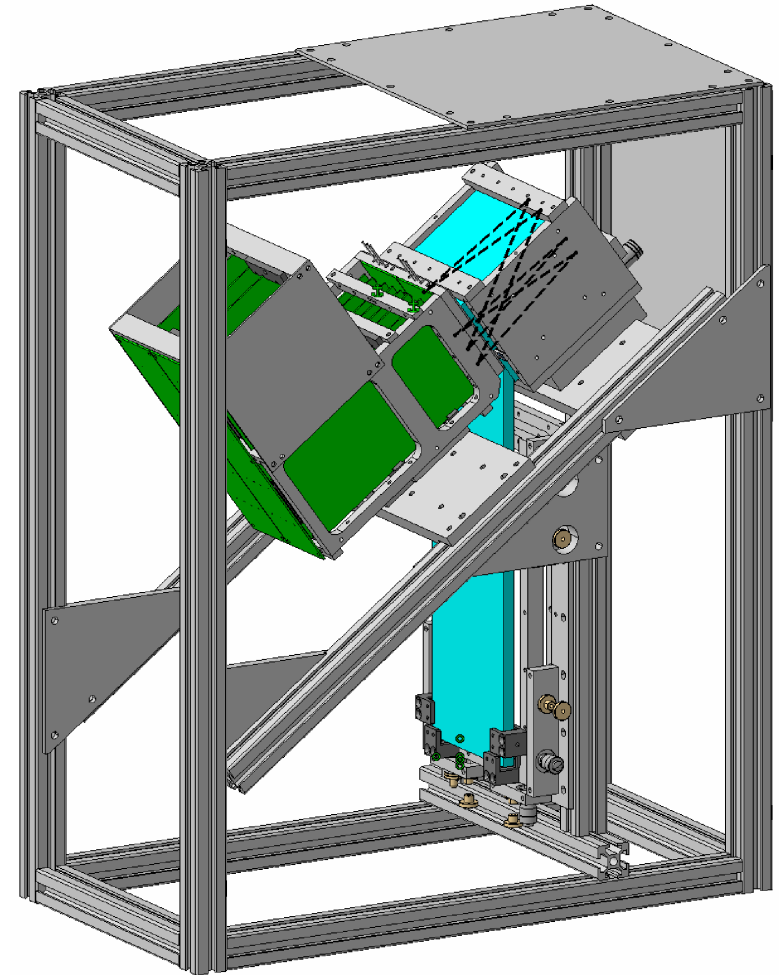
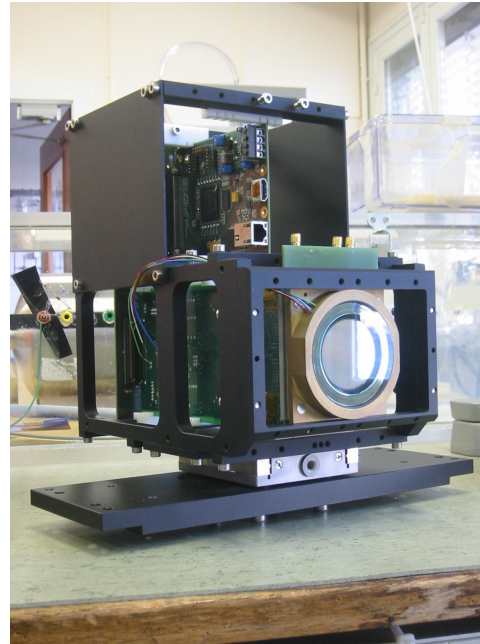
Test-beam setup



focussing block



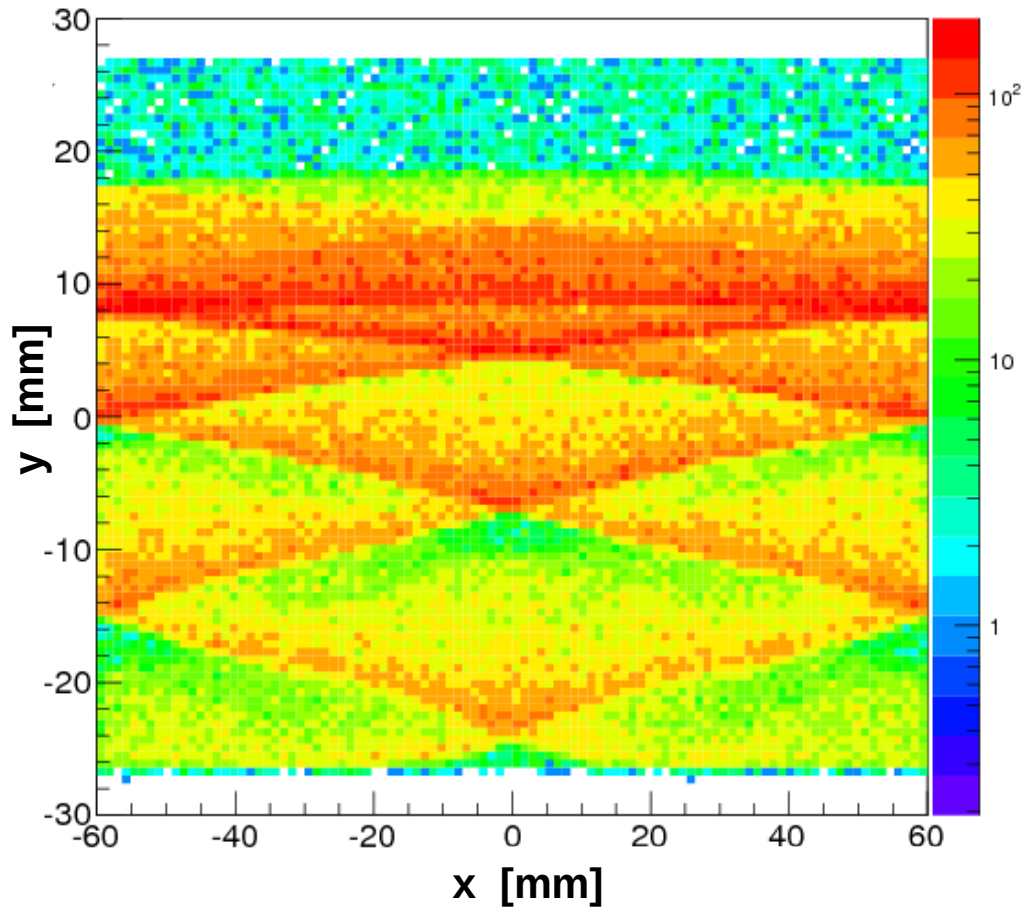
radiator



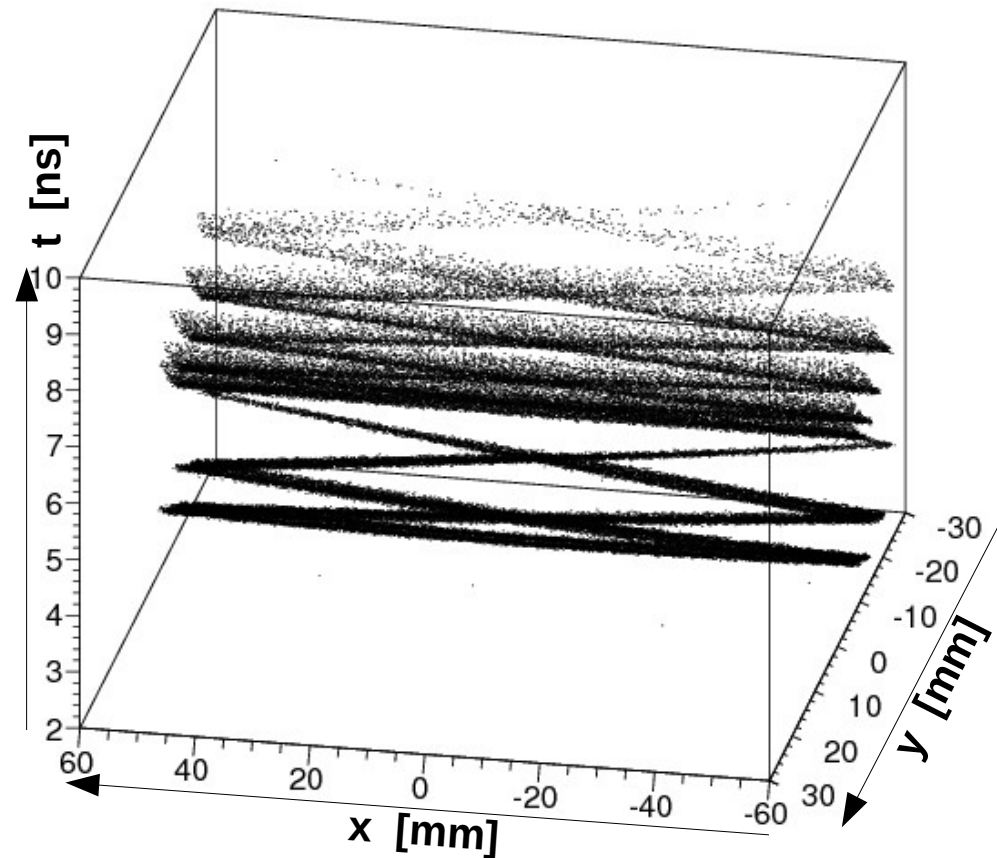
- Beam tests at CERN (SPS-H8 and PS/T9) this year
- Scaled-down version of TORCH module optical components from Schott (CH):
 - Quartz radiator plate (35 x 12 x 1) cm³
 - Focussing block
- Photek prototype MCP and/or 32 x 32 channel Planacon

Test beam simulations 1

Detected photons



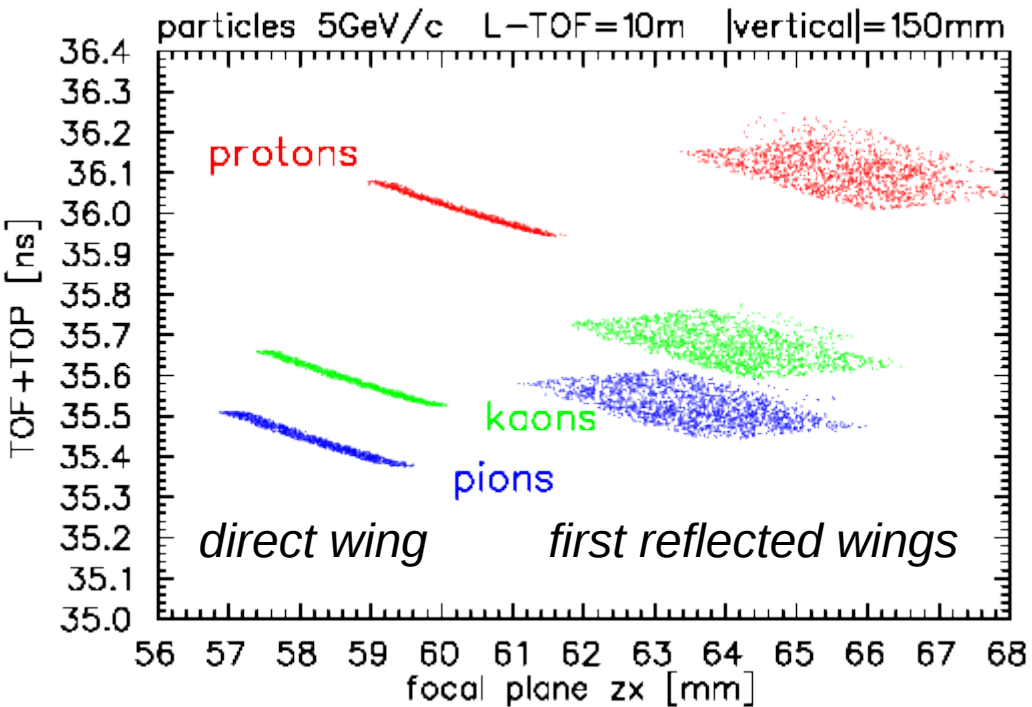
pattern on focal plane



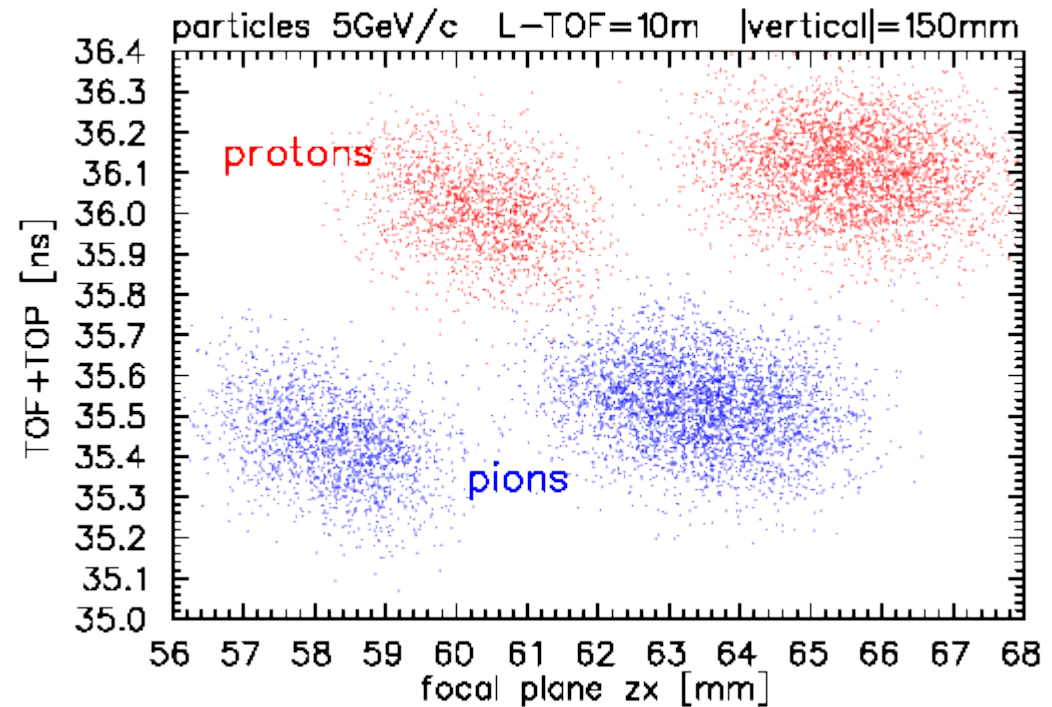
oblique 3-d view including time

Test beam simulations 2

instrumentation of +/-12mm slice ; beam close to readout block



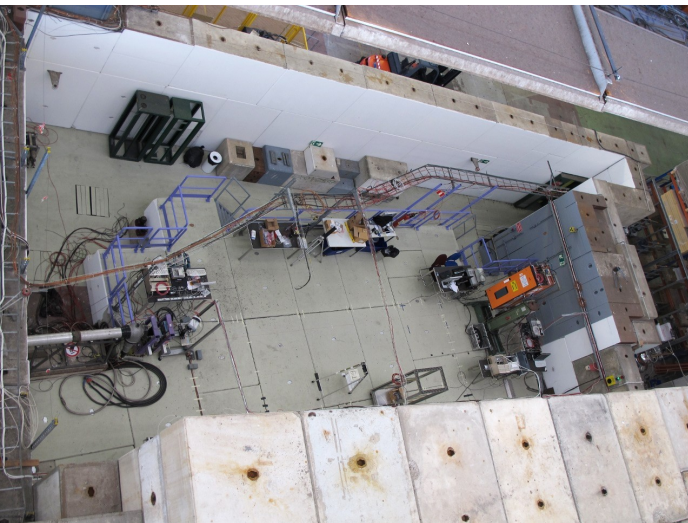
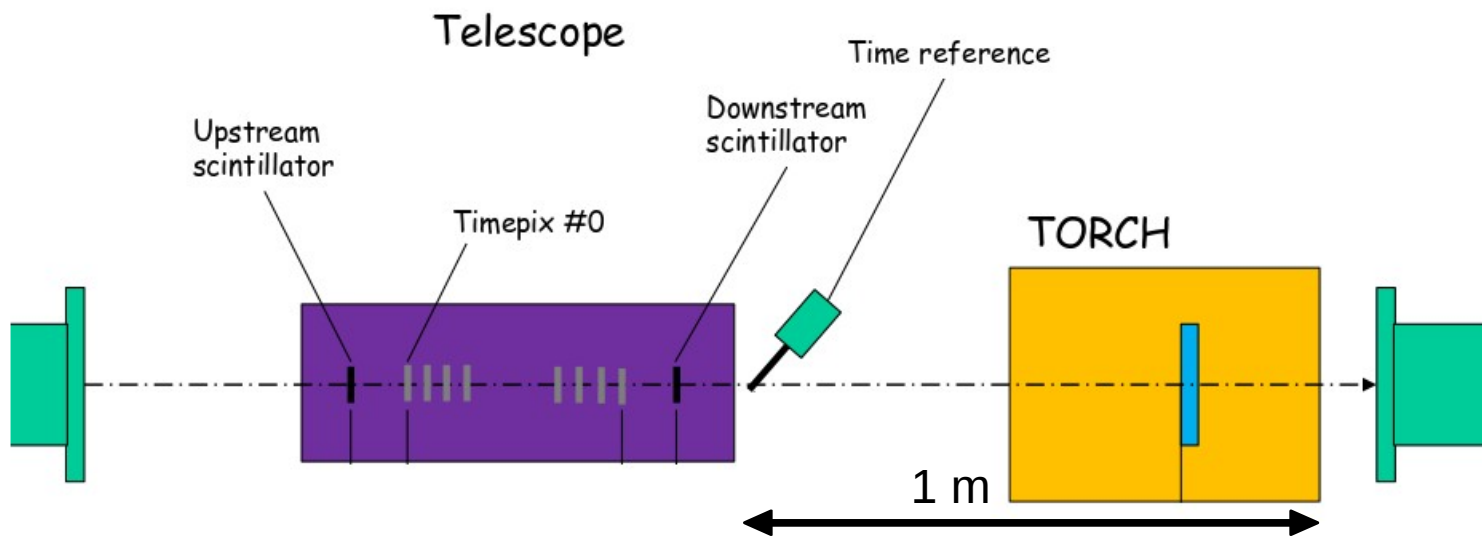
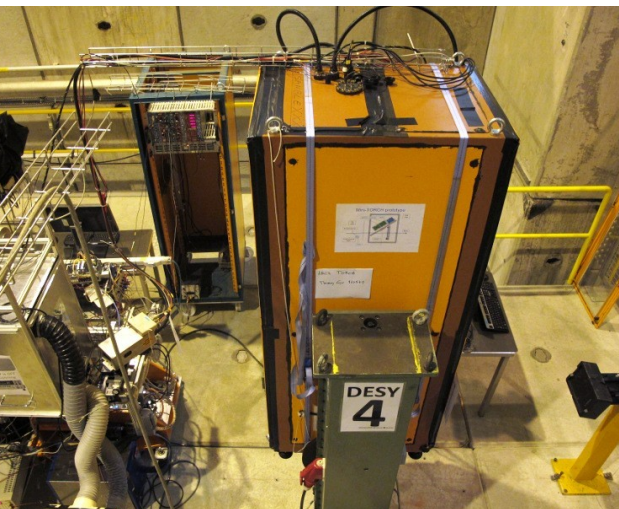
MC truth unsmeared



- horizontal 1.6mm/sqrt(12) Gaussian
- vertical 100 ps Gaussian

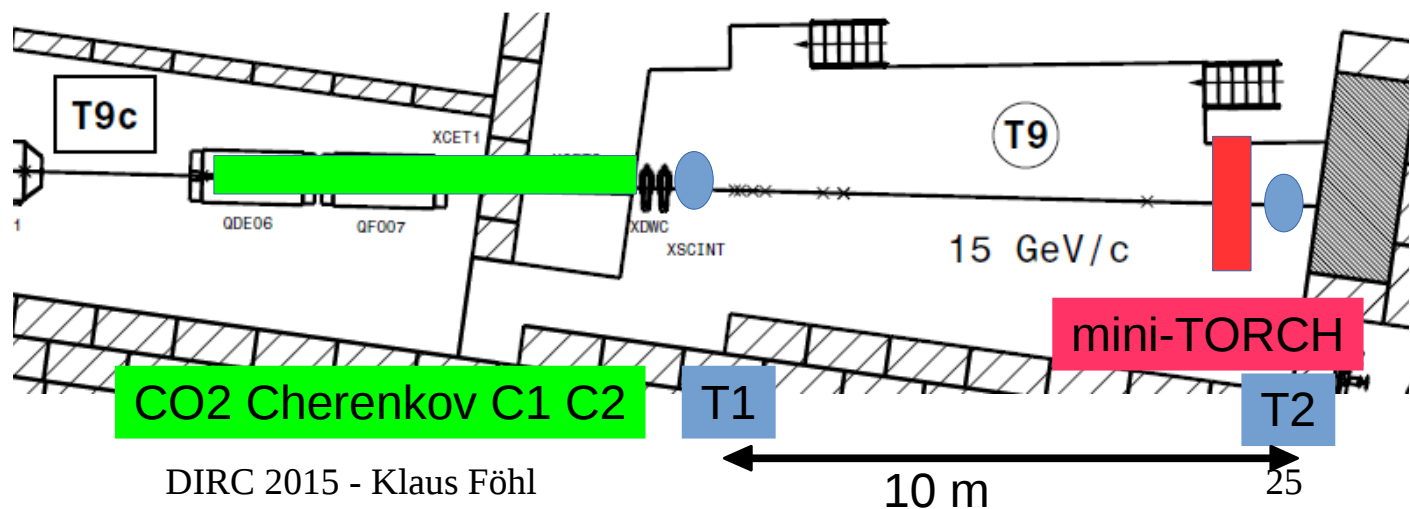
SPS overview

$p = 180 \text{ GeV}/c$



PS overview

$p = 3-10 \text{ GeV}/c$



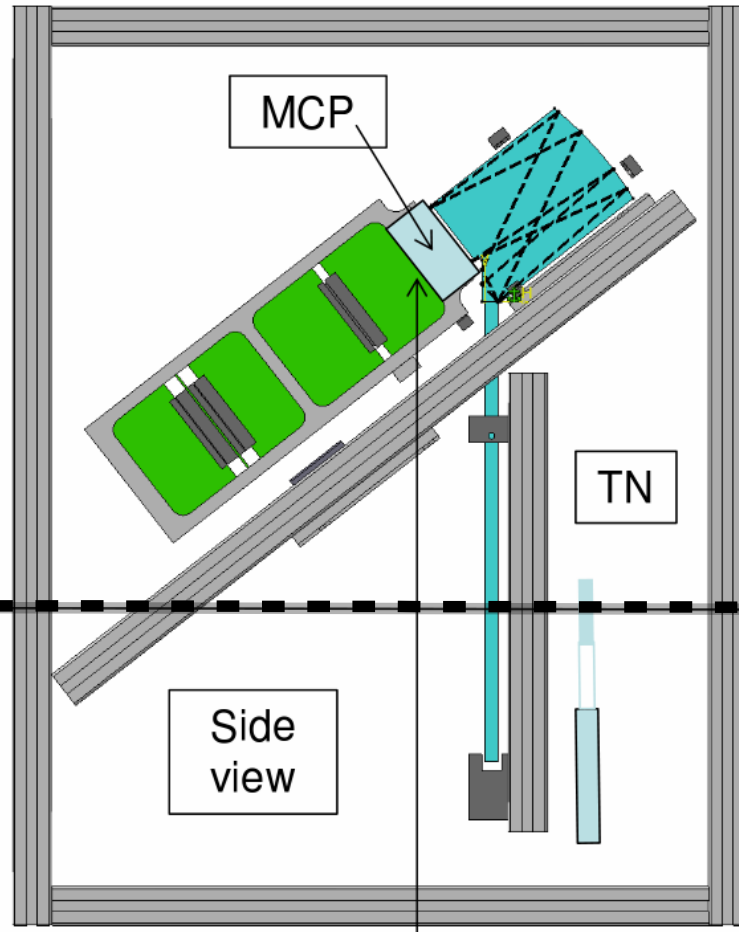
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Current CERN PS/T9 test beam

Borosilicate Finger
 $8 \times 8 \times 80 \text{ mm}^3$
Single channel MCP

Scintillator $12 \times 8 \times 5 \text{ mm}^3$
($\sim 8 \times 8 \text{ mm}^2$ projection)
Light Guide
Standard PMT R1635



Mini-TORCH

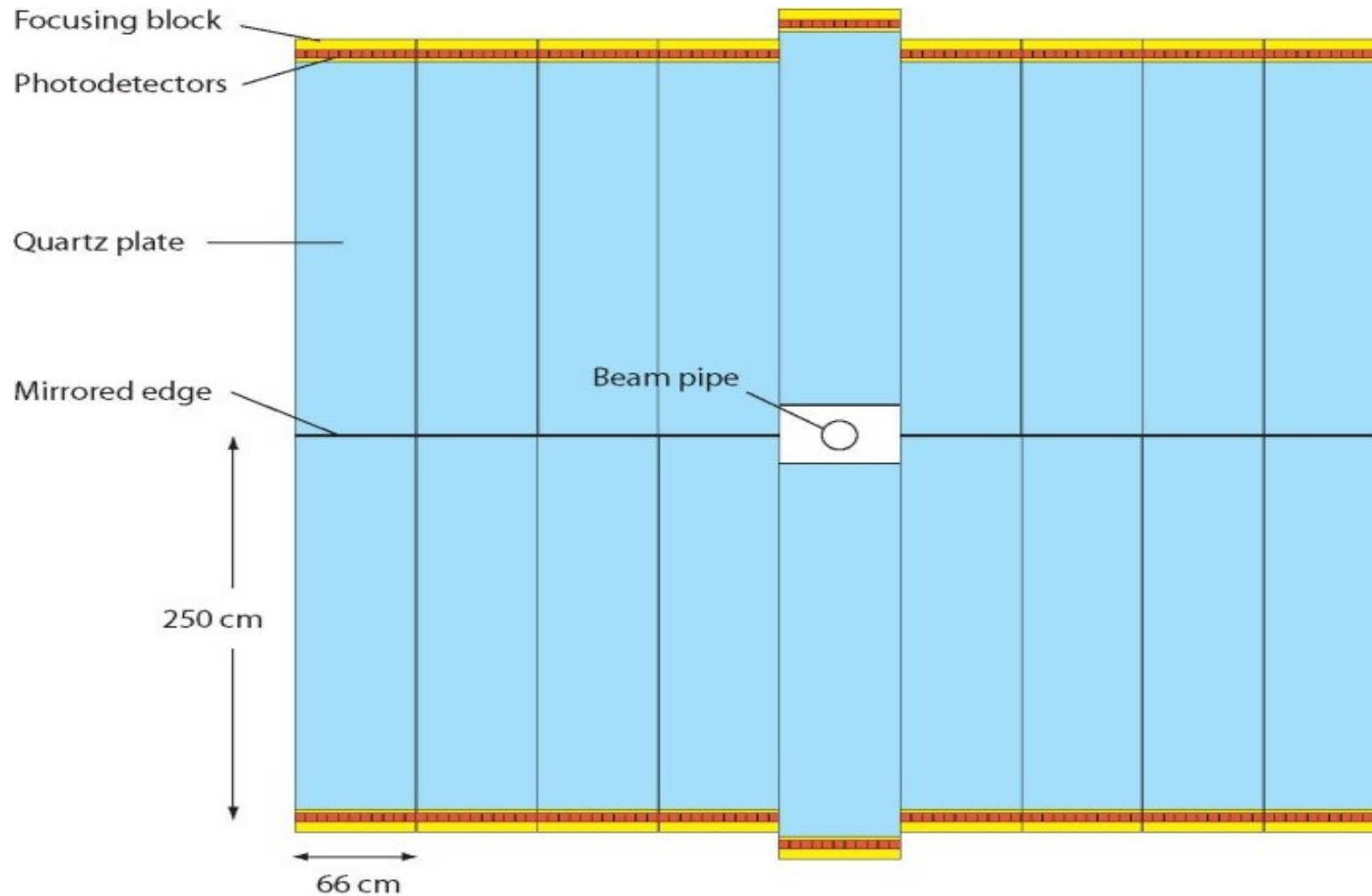


Timing station



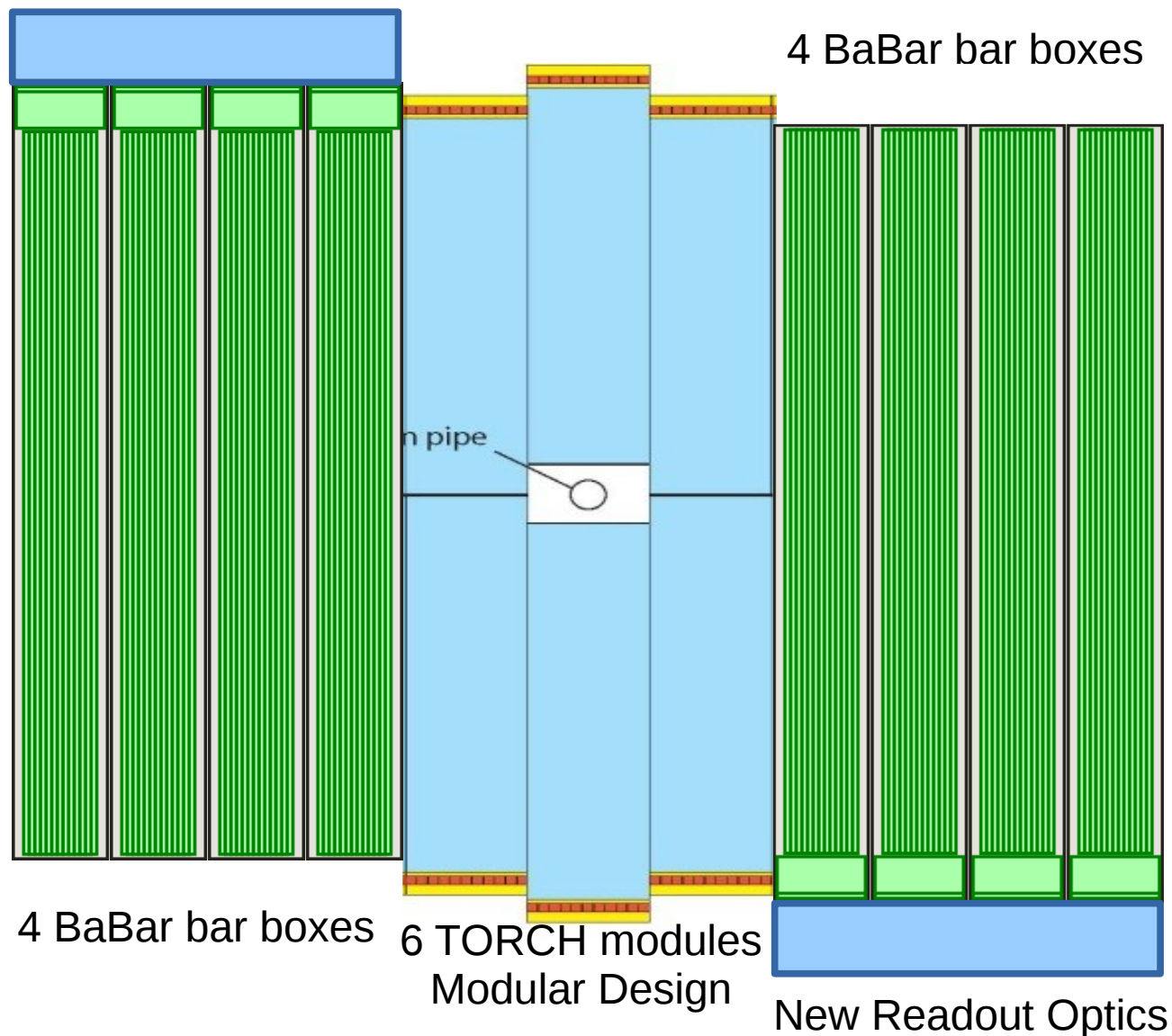
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TORCH Modular Design



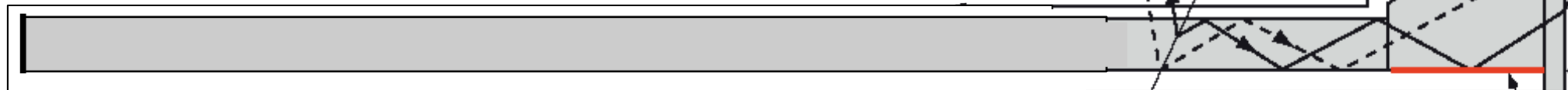
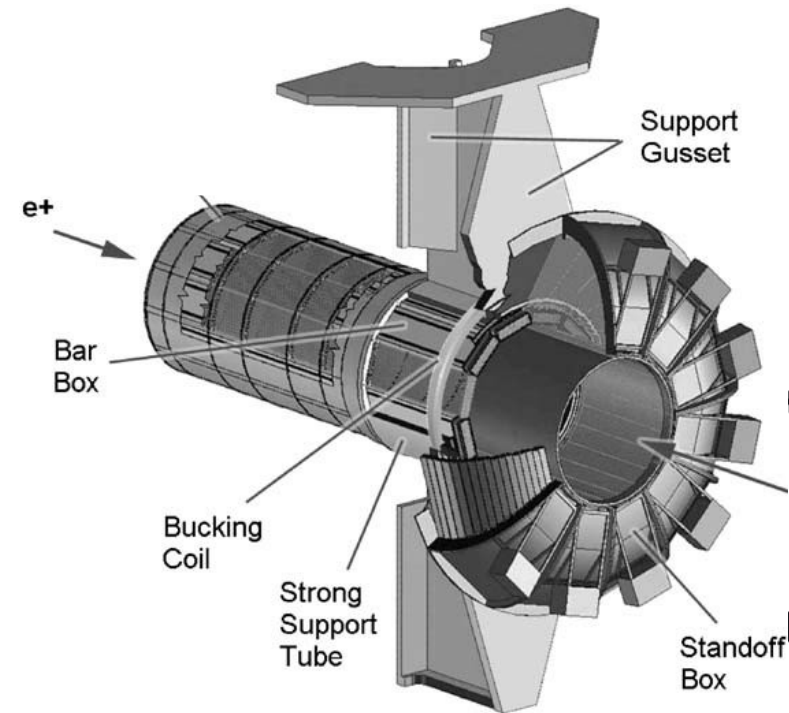
9x2 TORCH modules Modular Design

Use BaBar bar boxes within TORCH?



BaBar DIRC re-use?

- 12 planar “Bar-Boxes”
 - 12 quartz bars 17 x 35 x 4900 mm³
- If sited at $z = 9.5$ m the bar length and the total area match
- SLAC solicited proposals for possible re-use in other experiments



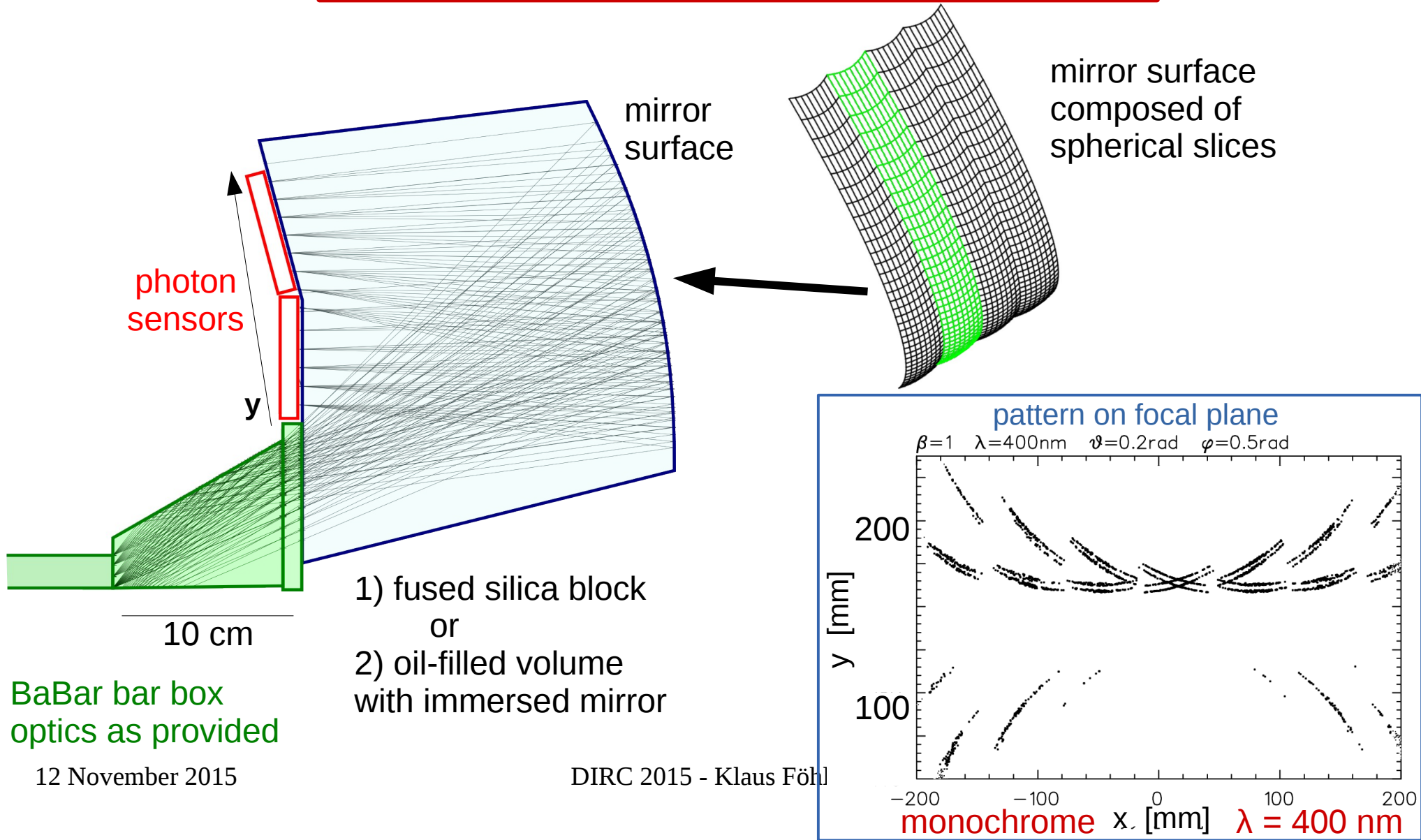
Mirror

- Potentially very interesting
 - Optics needs to be adapted
 - Focussing in both projections required



New optics onto BaBar boxes 1

Spherical slices mirror – overall cylindrical shape



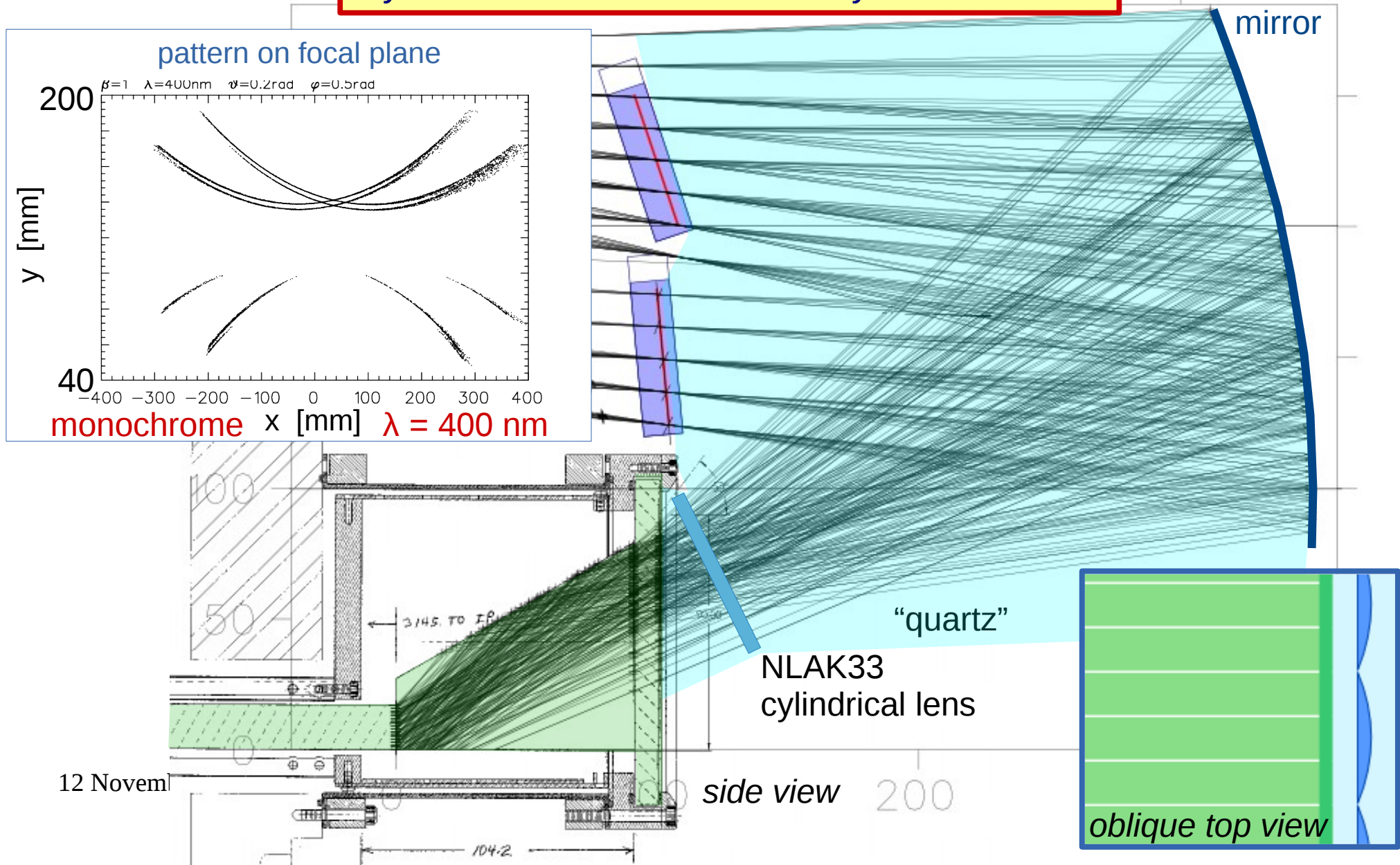
BaBar bar box optics as provided

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New optics onto BaBar boxes 2

Cylindrical NLAK lenses and cylindrical mirror



Conclusions

- Introduction to TORCH
 - Kaon PID for LHCb at $>3\sigma$ up to 10 GeV/c
- Custom MCP Photon sensor development
 - Photek R&D project
 - Phase 1: Lifetime achieved (ALD coating)
 - Phase 2: High granularity – under test
 - Phase 3: next year
- Readout electronics
 - NINO Board, HPTDC Board, and Readout Board
 - Developed successfully, calibration to be completed
- Test beams
 - SPS and PS test beams at CERN - in progress
- Looking into BaBar DIRC components re-use
 - Feasibility assessed, BaBar bax boxes kept as an option

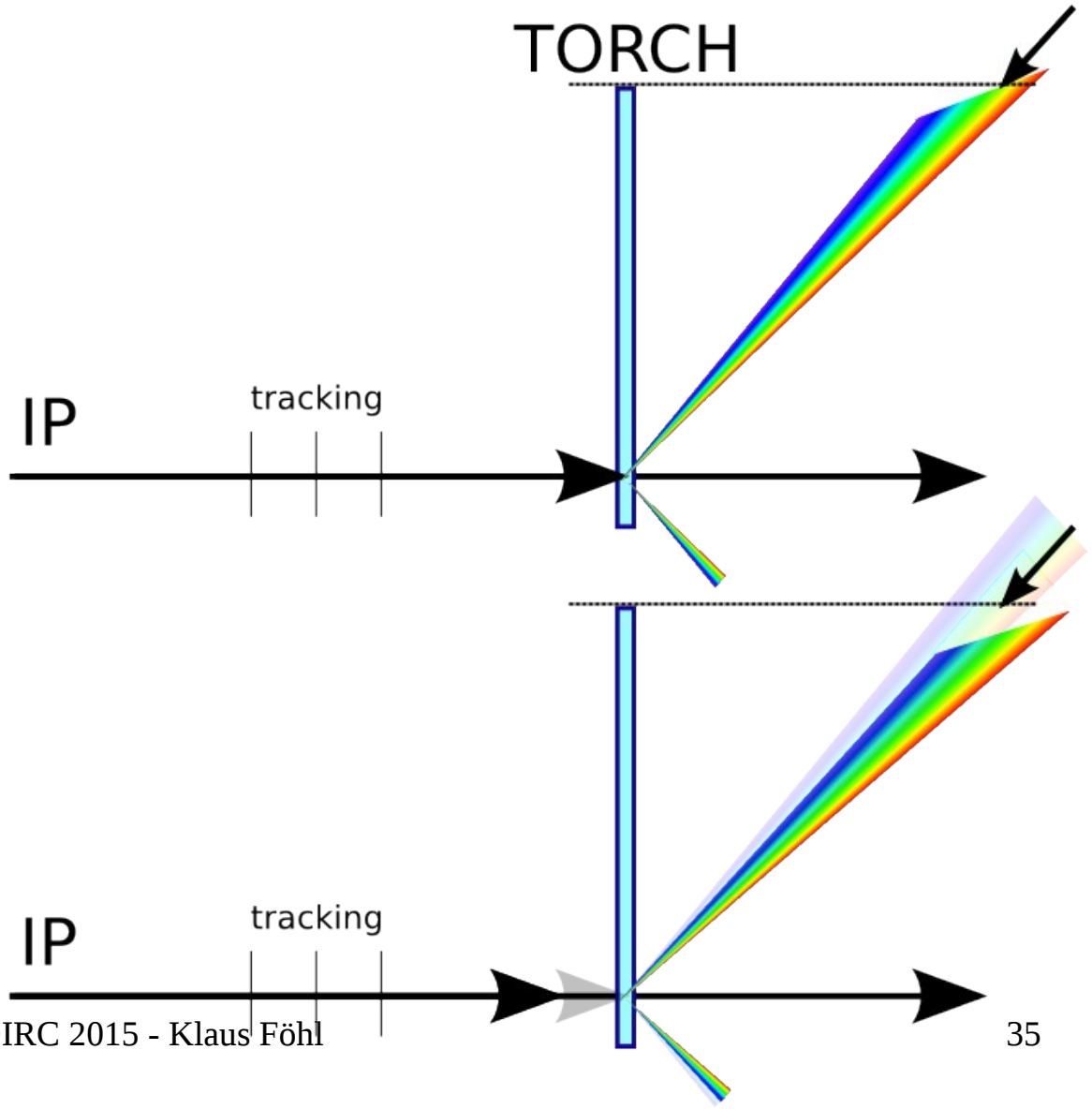
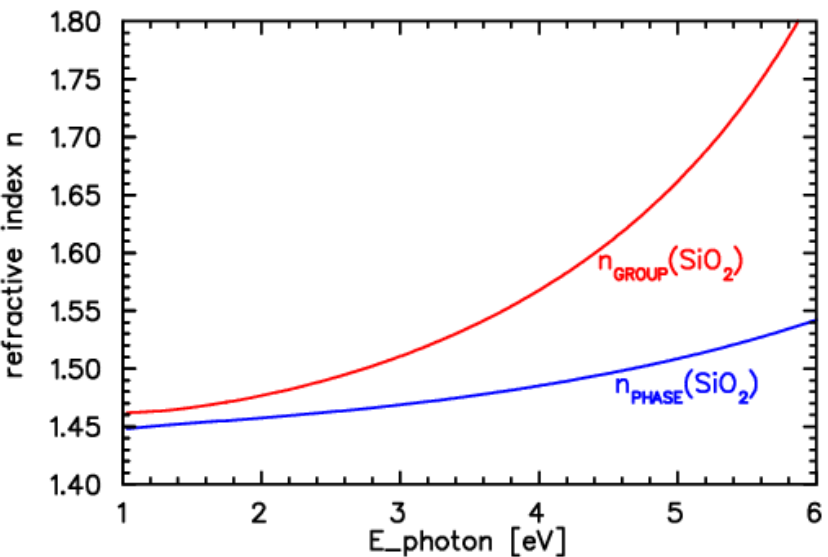
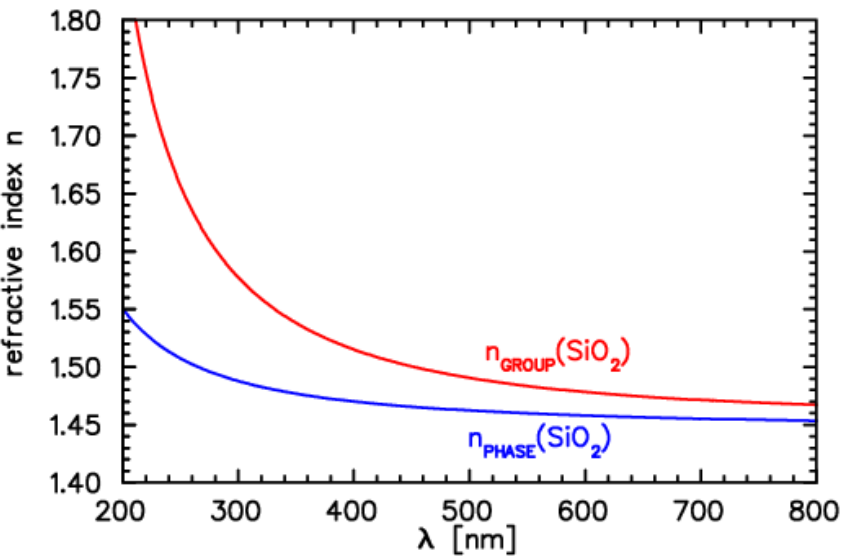
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Backup Slides

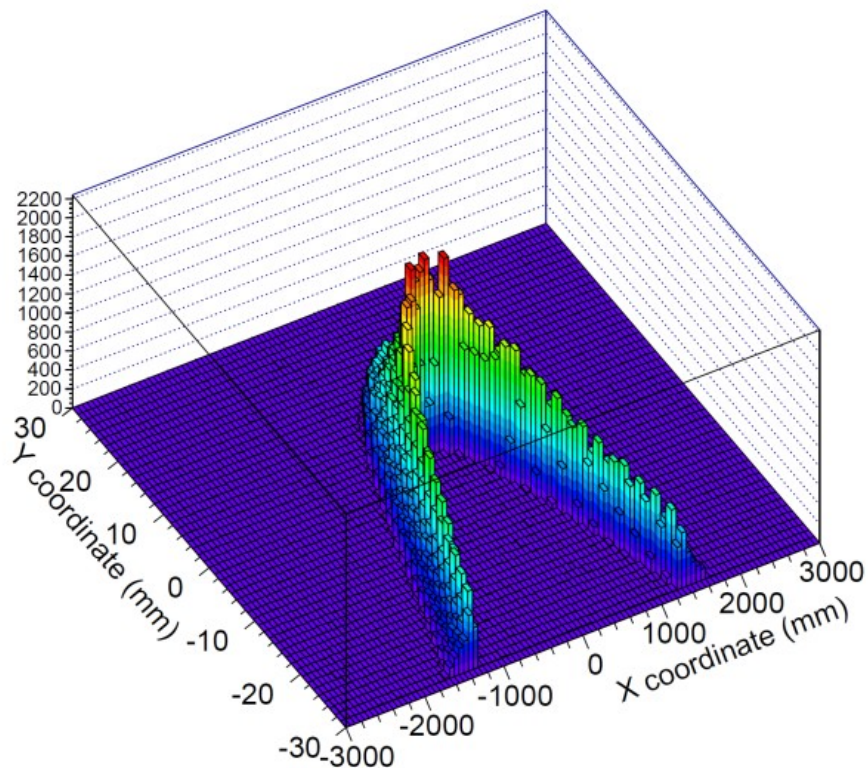
Motivation



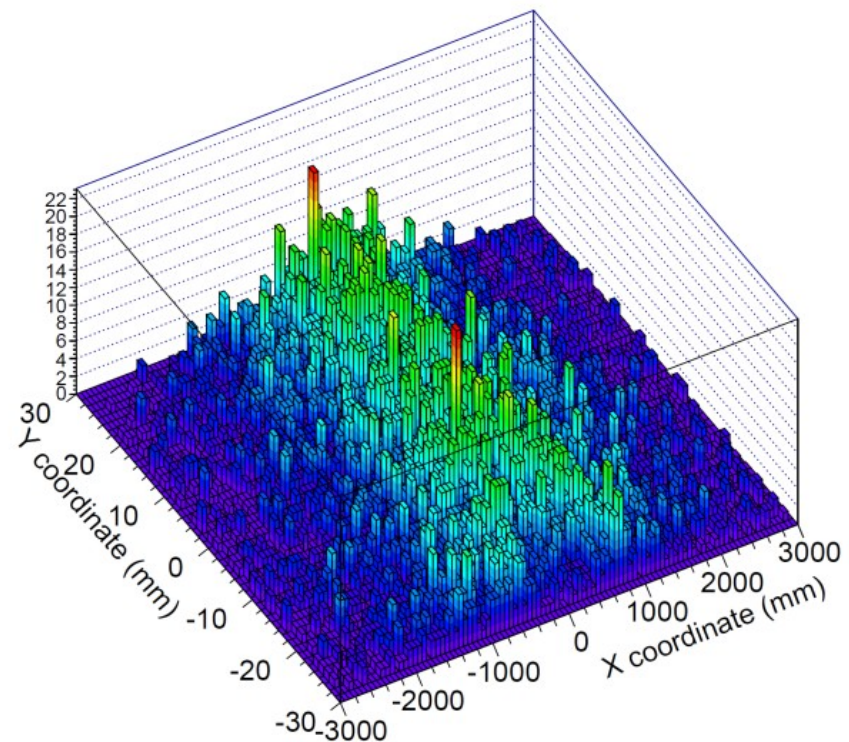
Full GEANT simulations

- Simulation of accumulated photons for a thousand 10 GeV/c kaons
- Background photons from secondary electrons that also give off Cherenkov radiation
- Width of Cherenkov ring segment is due to chromatic dispersion in quartz medium

Photons from primary track



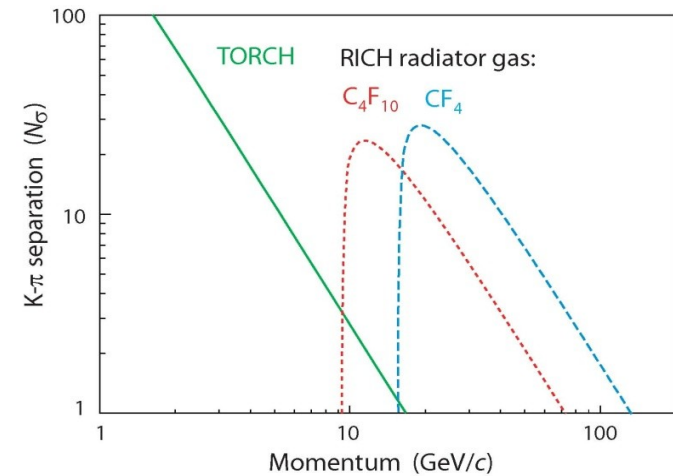
Photons from secondary tracks



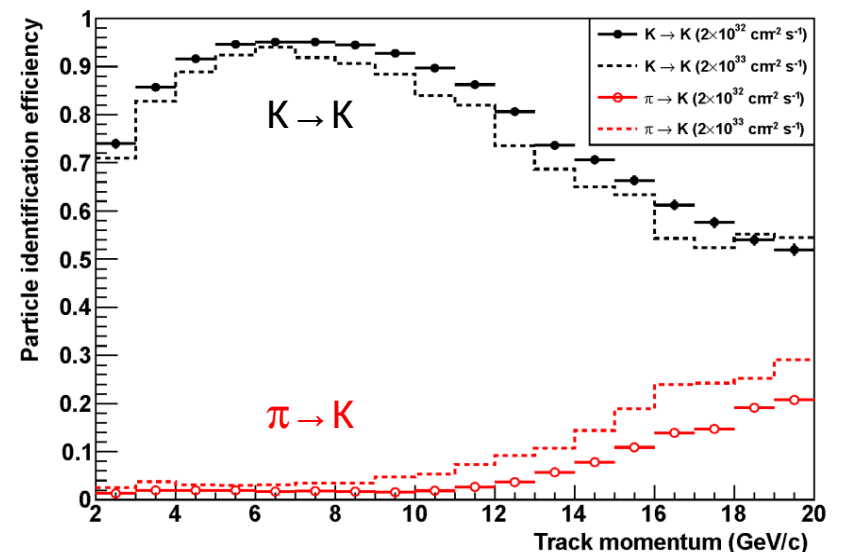
Expected performance

- Complete reconstruction studied including pattern recognition, using a simple simulation of the TORCH detector (single plate) interfaced to full LHCb simulation
- Excellent particle ID performance achieved, up to 10 GeV as required
Robust against increased luminosity (..... after increase by $\times 10$)
- Full GEANT simulation of TORCH is in progress, and optimization of the modular layout

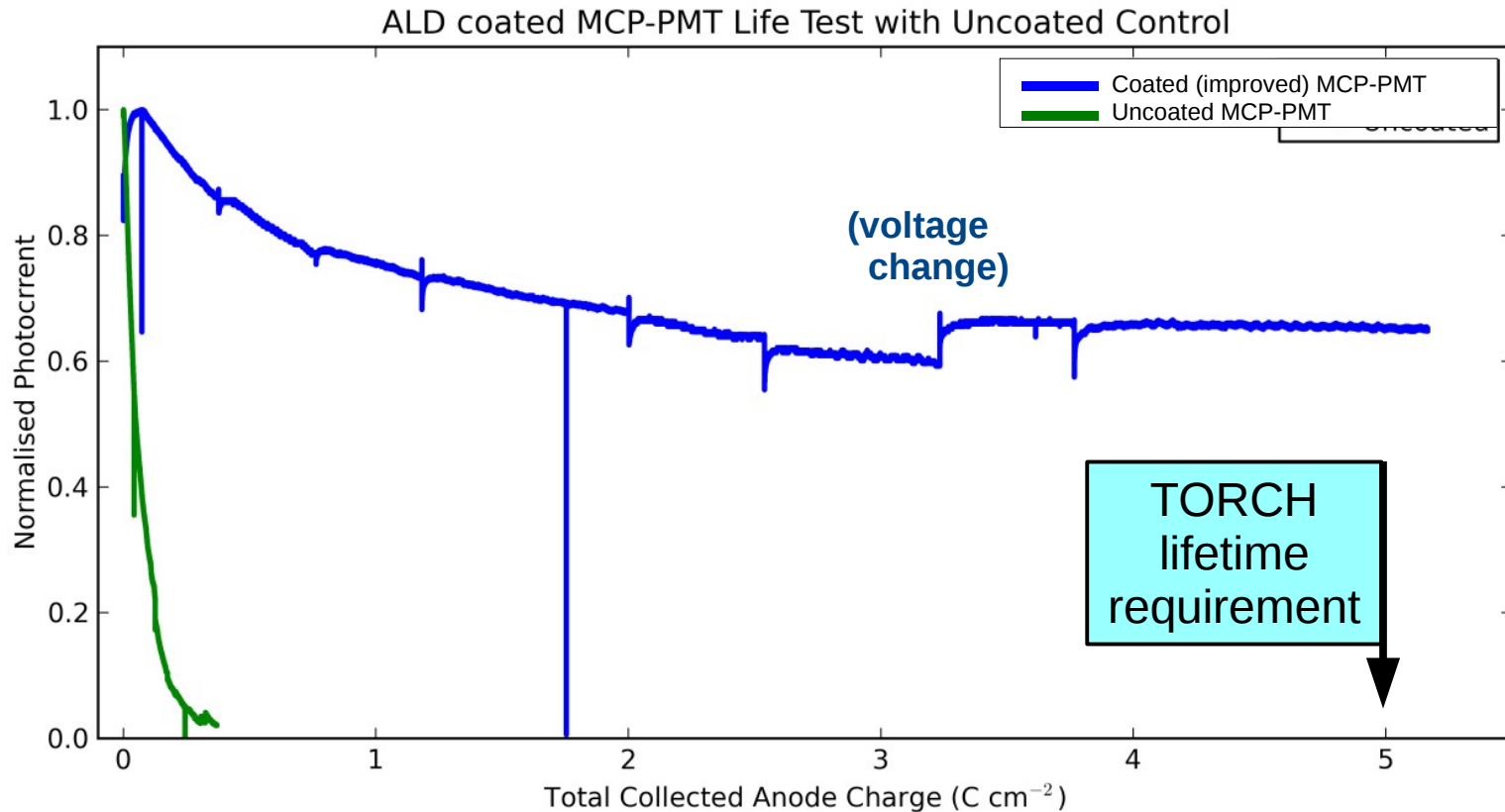
(ideal reconstruction, isolated tracks)



LHCb simulation: efficiency vs. p



MCP-PMT lifetime



Photocathode response as a function of collected charge.

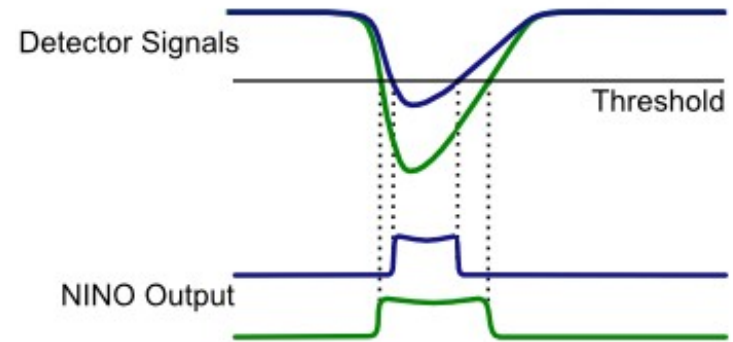
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Analogue Front End – NINO

DAC – Setting threshold

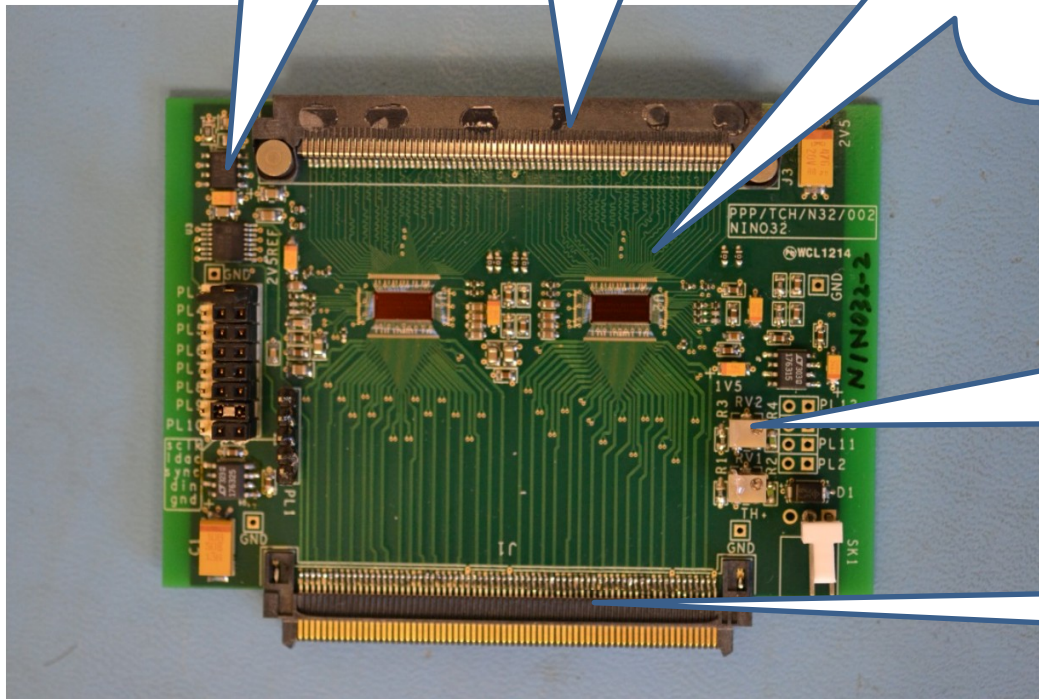
Input – negative phase only

2xNINO - Time Over Threshold Measurement, 64-ch per board



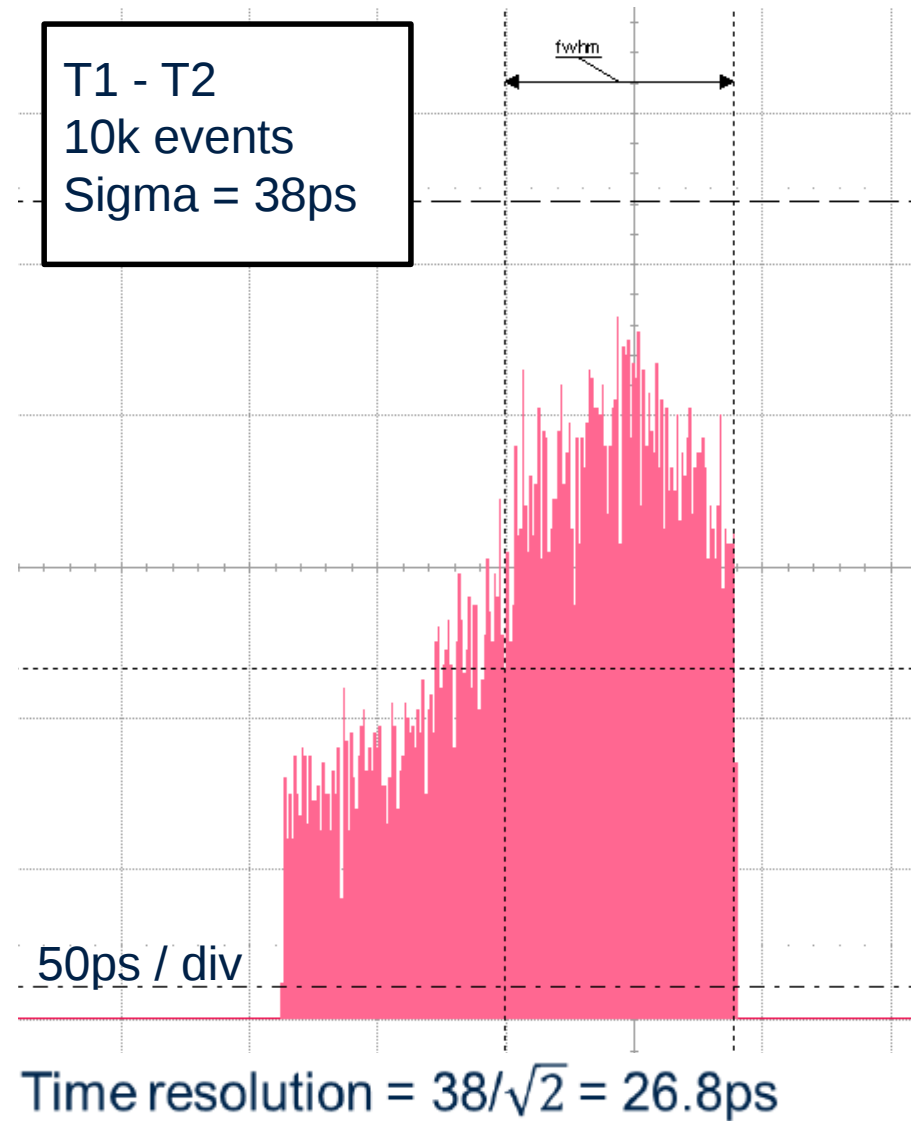
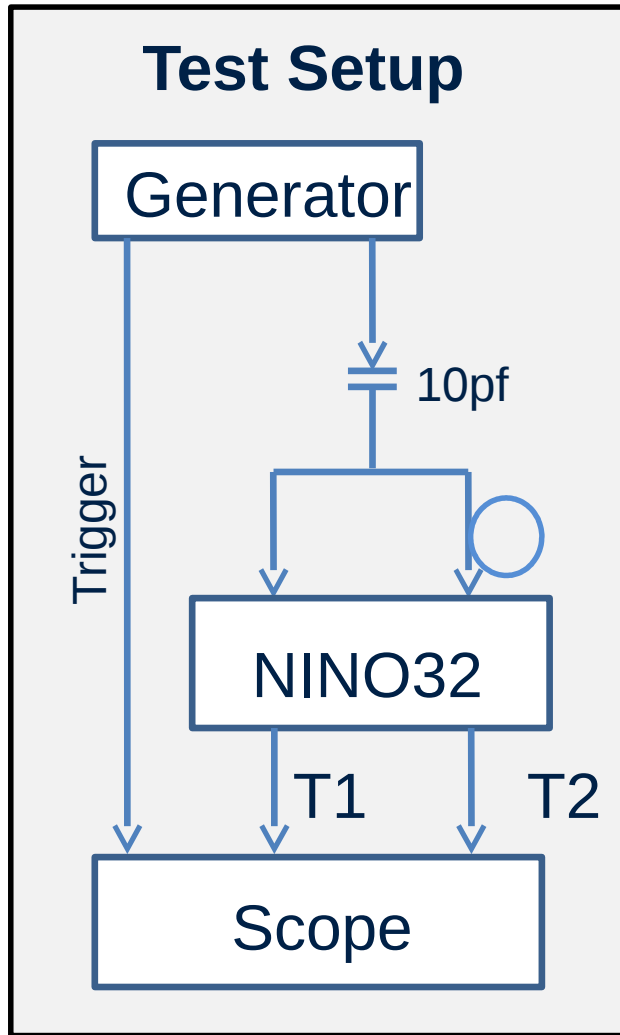
Potentiometer – threshold quick settings

LVDS output



Rui Gao, 23rd September 2014
TWEPP 2014, Aix En Provence, France

NINO32 Performance



HPTDC Board – Time to Digital Conversion

LVDS input from NINO

2x HPTDC[4]
ASICs 64ch per
board

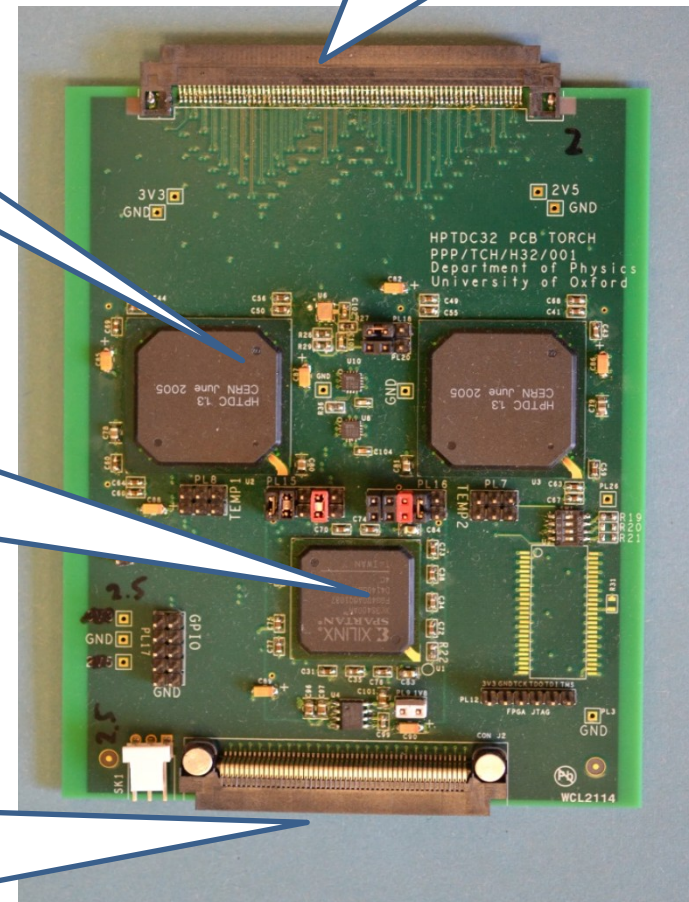
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HPTDC configuration and control
Data formatting and buffering

Power

Input: clock, trigger, serial slow
control, fast control

Output: TDC data, all signals in LVDS



Readout Board

LVDS I/O

Fan out 4 x clocks, 4 x triggers
and 36 pairs of LVDS signals
Standalone JTAG for TDC board
2.5v and 3.3v @ 3A max

Gigabit Ethernet

HDMI Connector

External clock and 3
bi-directional LVDS pairs,
pinout compatible with
Timepix3 Telescope TLU.

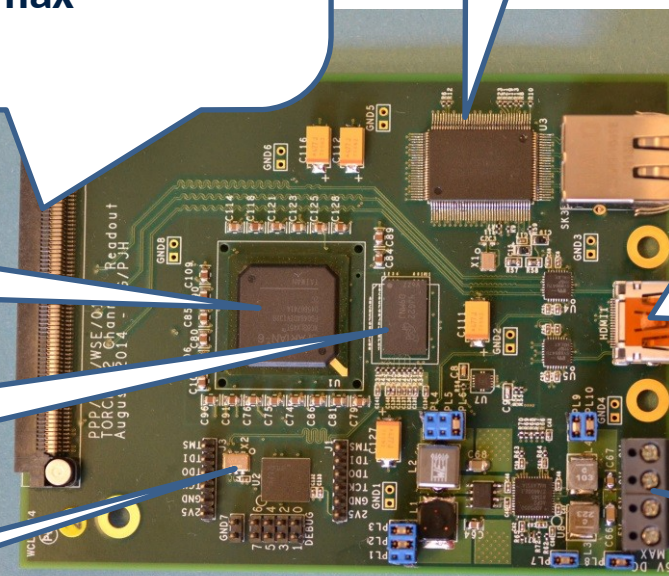
Standard LEMO/ SMA
interface are available
through adaptor.

Spartan6 LX45T

1Gbit DDR3 RAM

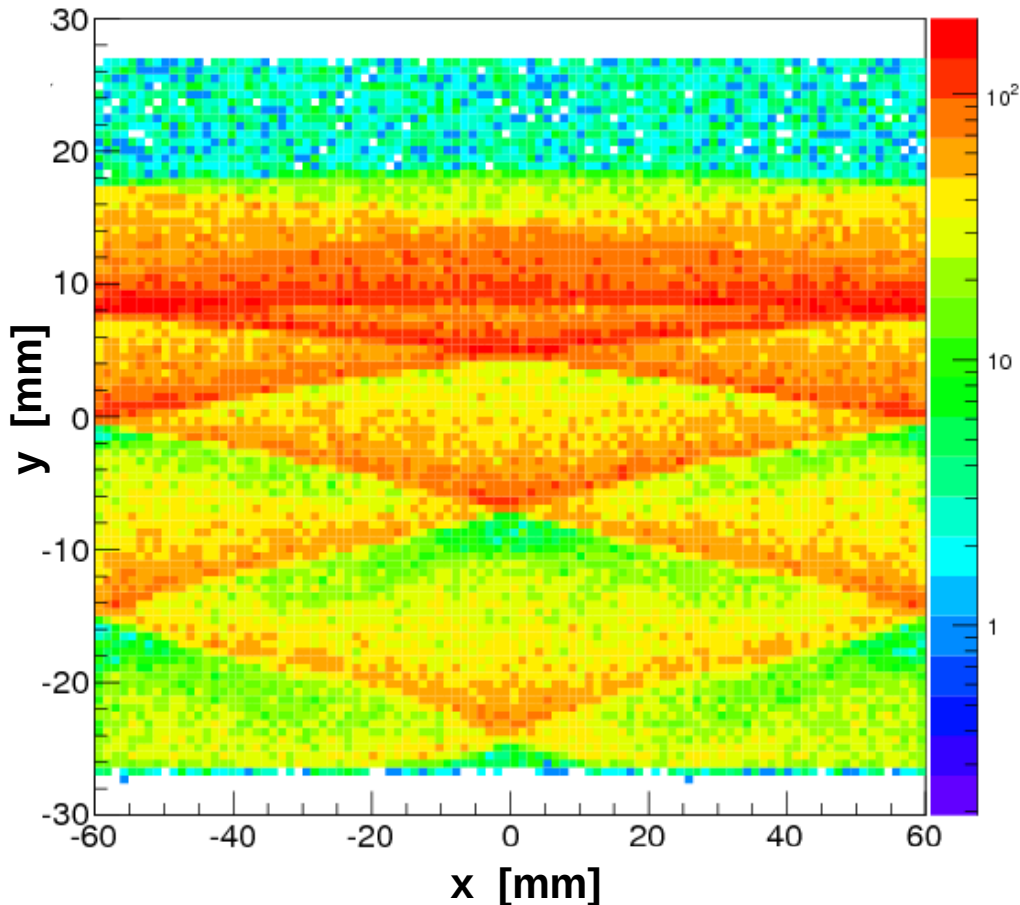
200MHz OSC

Single 5V power supply

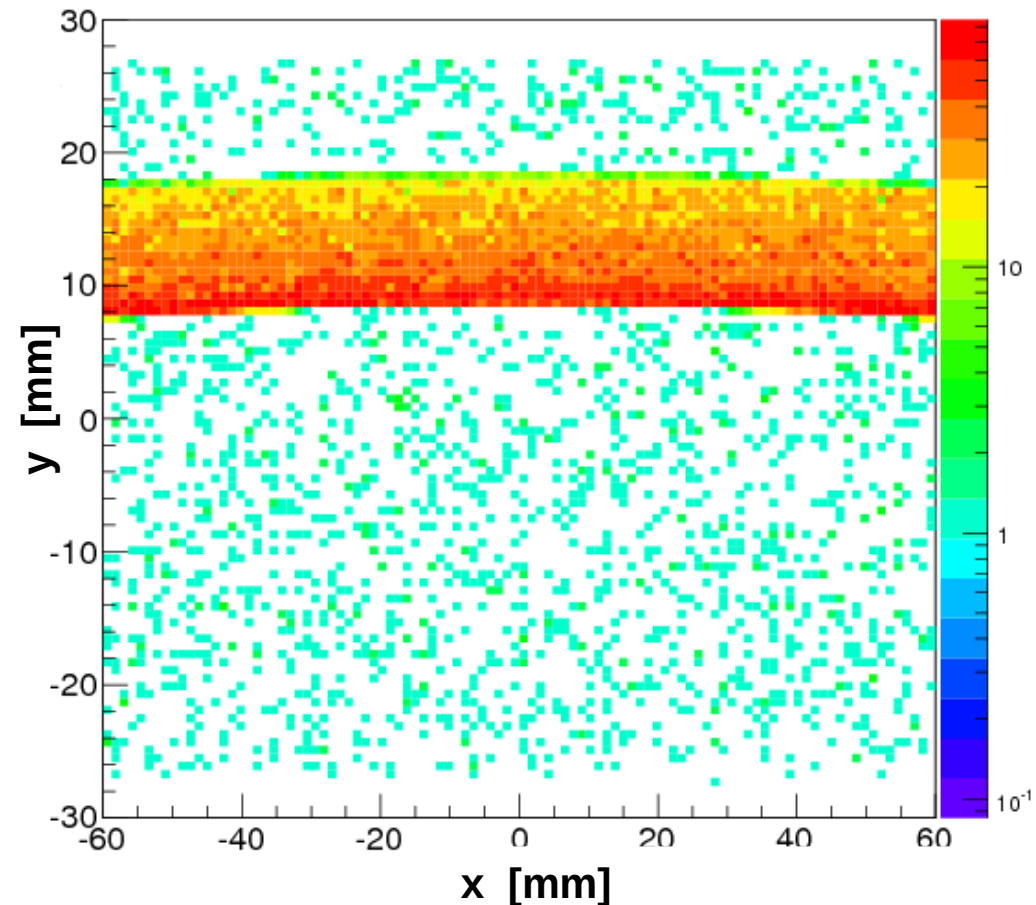


Test beam simulations

Detected photons



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polished (reflecting) - radiator plate and focussing block sides – **blackened (absorbing)**

TORCH detector environment

- high radiation dose
 - several krad/year, leptonic, hadronic charged, NIEL
- low magnetic field
- small temperature changes, cavern
- atmospheric pressure, not controlled
- radiator plates mounted vertically
- inside light tight housing, clean and dry gas environment
- low seismic activity region