Status of the CBM- and HADES RICH projects at FAIR

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Summary

CBM RICH:

Giessen University, Germany Wuppertal University, Germany Petersburg Nuclear Physics Institute (PNPI), Russia

Institute for Theoretical and Exp. Physics (ITEP), Russia Joint Institute for Nuclear Research (JINRLIT), Russia

HADES RICH upgrade:

Technical University Munich, Germany Giessen + Wuppertal University GSI Darmstadt, Germany TRB collaboration

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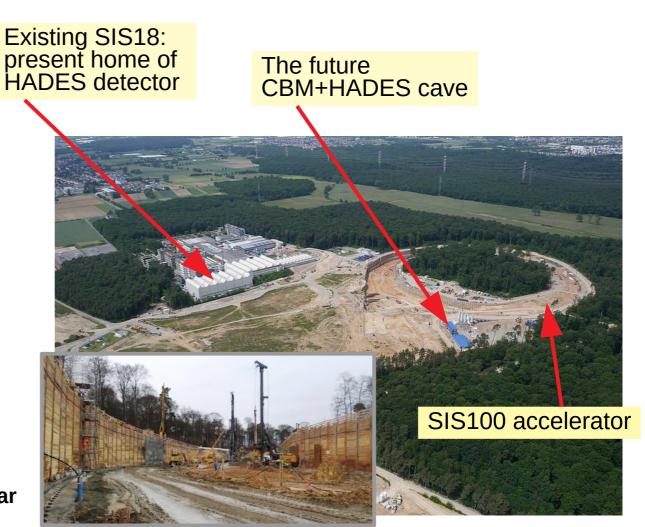
Present status of FAIR -Facility for Anti-Proton and Ion Research





Artist view of the future FAIR facility

- FAIR civil construction started 4th of July 2017
- Much progress during last year !
- This summer: beam back in GSI SIS18 (after 4 year shutdown for upgrades)
- HADES physics run autumn this year



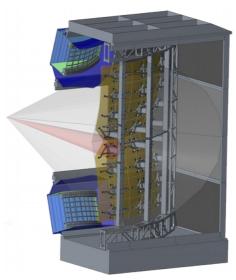
The FAIR construction site as it looks today

Bilder: GSI Helmholtzzentrum für Schwerionenforschung



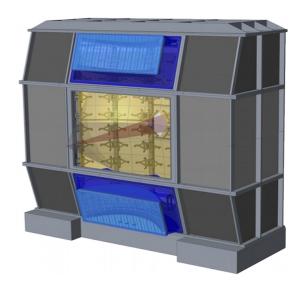
The CBM RICH detector





2019

2024



Facts:

- **Updated CBM timeline:** 2m x 5.14m x 3.93m (length x height x width) 0-35° / 0-25° (horizontal / vertical) • Dimensions: • Acceptance: 2014 Technical Design Report approved Conceptual Design Review 2019
 - CO, gas radiator
 - Pion threshold 4.5 GeV/c
 - UV cutoff <190 nm
 - 35 m³ radiator gas volume, 1.7m radiator length
 - 13m² segmented glass mirror, 80 tiles 40x40 cm², focal length 1.5m
 MAPMT readout: ~1000x Hamamatsu H12700, 64k channels

Challenges:

- High rate (up to 100 kHz photon rate per pixel)
- Magnetic stray field from CBM magnet (shielding box)
- RICH downstream of tracking system
- Free-streaming readout
- Moveable by crane

See Poster #16 for more details:

2022/23 Installation in the cave

First beam

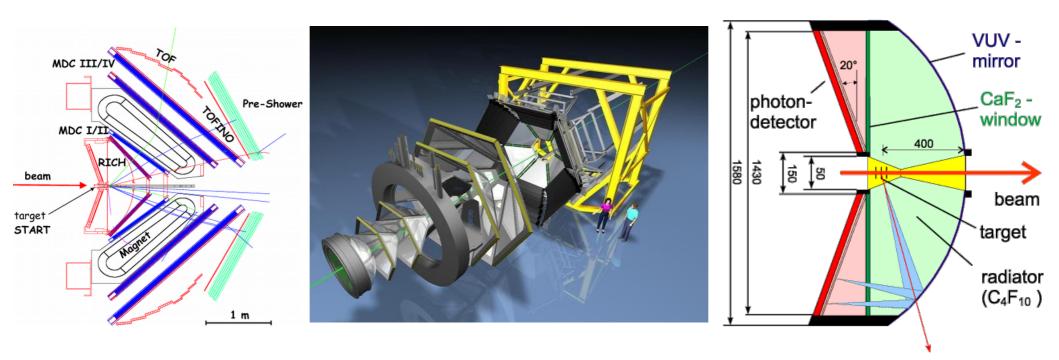
"Development of a mirror supporting frame, mounting scheme and alignment monitoring system for CBM RICH"

Production of first components

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The HADES RICH detector



HADES : High Acceptance DiElectron Spectrometer

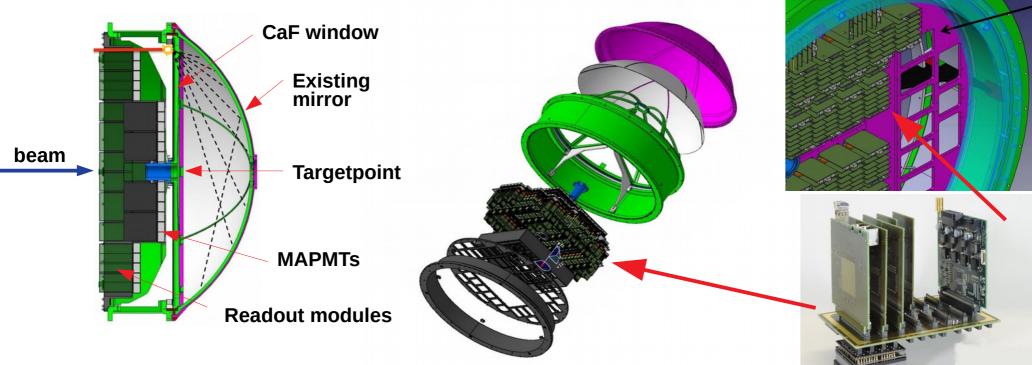
- Installed at GSI SIS 18, in operation since 2001
- Studying baryonic matter in light and heavy systems
- Part of FAIR phase 0 program
 Will later move to CBM cave at SIS 100
- - \rightarrow extensive detector upgrade program

"Old" HADES RICH:

 C_4F_{10} radiator Low material budget, carbon mirror Hadron blind detector Electron id 15 MeV/c < p < 1.5 GeV/c

Reflective Csl cathode Deep-UV, 145nm - 210 nm **MWPC** readout

Photon detector upgrade of HADES RICH



Motivation:

- Ensure stable RICH operation for future FAIR program, 2025 and beyond
- Improve close-pair dielectron reconstruction (essential for future physics program)

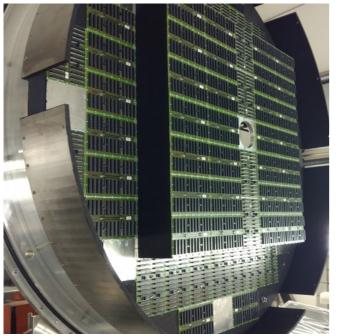
Concept:

- Share MAPMTs and readout chain development with CBM RICH
- 428pc H12700 MAPMTs on new photon detector flange PMT module backplane serves as gas- and light tight seal of PMT camera volume Keep CaF window to enclose C_4F_{10} radiator volume
- Center part of photon detector 10 cm elevated (\rightarrow better match focal plane)

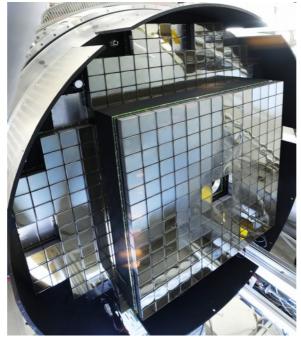
Validated in detailed Monte Carlo simulations

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New photon detector with MAPMTs mounted



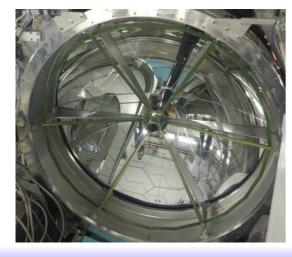
New photon detector flange after installation of PMT backplanes



... and after installation of the first 396 MAPMTs



Close-up of MAPMTs mounted on backplanes

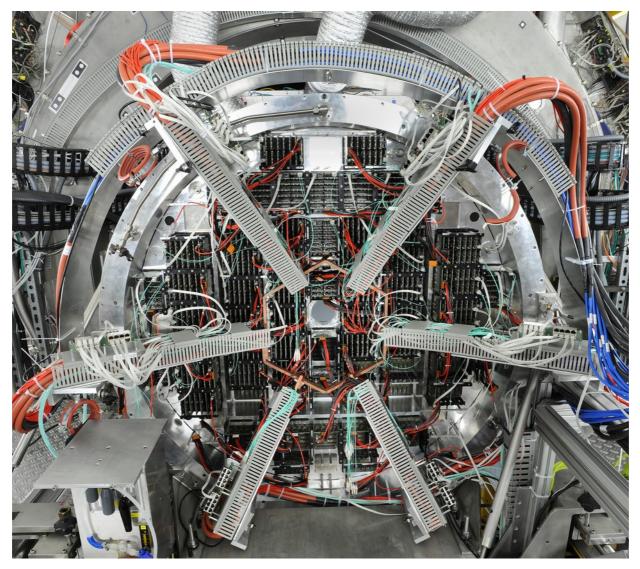


HADES RICH mirror with CaF window in front

photos by G. Otto, GSI



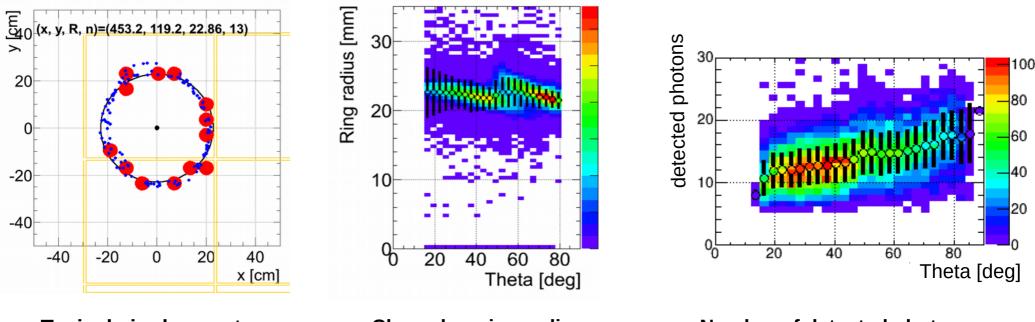
New photon detector readout electronics



Backside of photon detector with readout modules installed

Total power dissipation: 2.5 kW, present cooling concept: enforced air cooling

Selected simulation results – single electrons



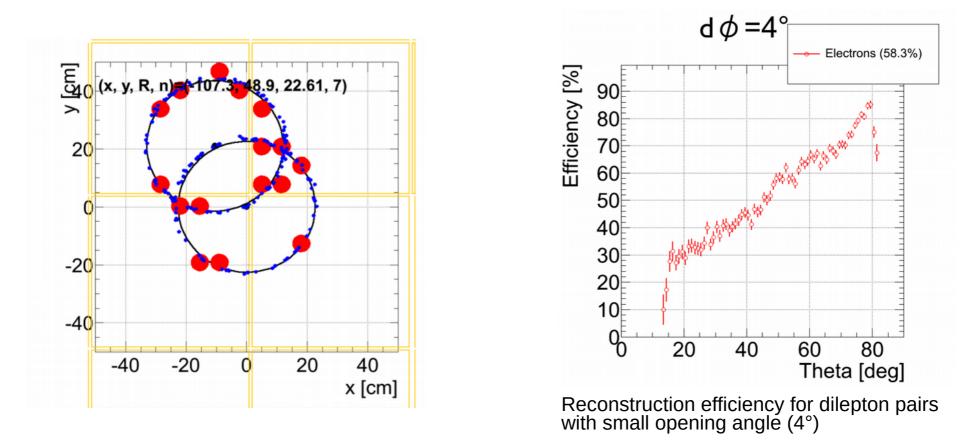
Typical single event blue: all photons red: detected photo-electrons



Number of detected photons as function of scattering angle

- 11 16 detected photons per ring expected
- Photon yield increasing with scattering angle due to effective radiator path length
- Ring radius matches roughly size of single PMT
- Gap in photon yield / radius due to 10 cm shift of inner part of detection plane

Selected simulation results - dilepton pairs



 Reconstruction efficiency for dilepton pairs with small opening angle drastically improved by the upgrade

MAPMT procurement and testing

1100 Hamamatsu H12700 MAPMTs ordered

- 428 to be used by HADES starting 2018
- All to be used by CBM-RICH starting ~2023

Delivery of MAPMTs: Autumn 2015 - November 2017

Extensive series testing of each MAPMT

- Quality control
- Characterization of each MAPMT (->gain grouping)
- Rejection of MAPMTs out of specs

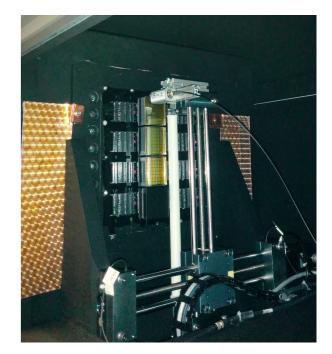
Test stand for spatially resolved single-photon scans:

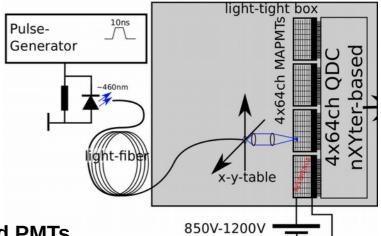
- Pulsed laser light source, ca 0.1 photons / pulse
- XY-table for point illumination (spot size < 1 mm)
- Self-triggered, free-streaming readout, ADC + TDC
- 3 PMTs (+1 reference PMT) per scan (8 hr)

From single scan:

- Single-photon detection efficiency (xy-resolved)
- Single-photon amplitude spectrum (per pixel)
- Gain
- Dark rate
- Gain dependence on HV
- Afterpulsing
- Crosstalk
- ...

+ dedicated measurement of quantum efficiency for selected PMTs





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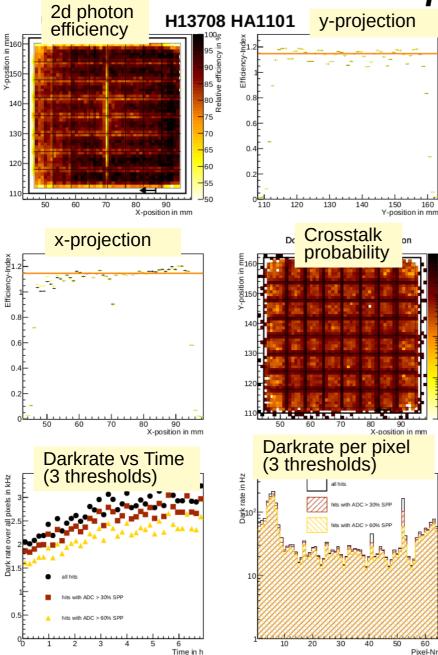
PMT overview plot for each MAPMT

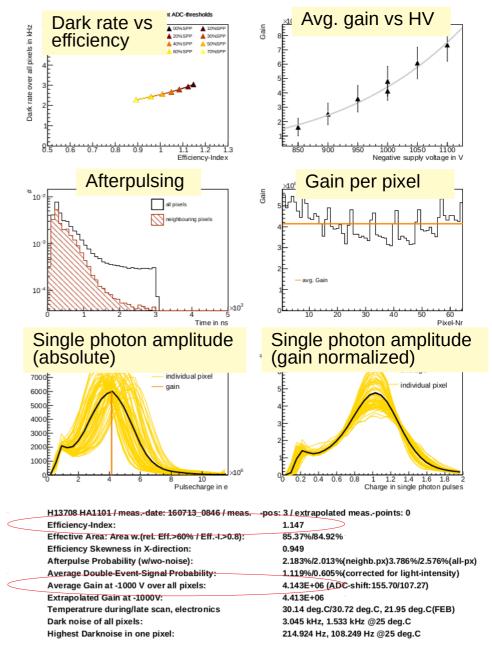
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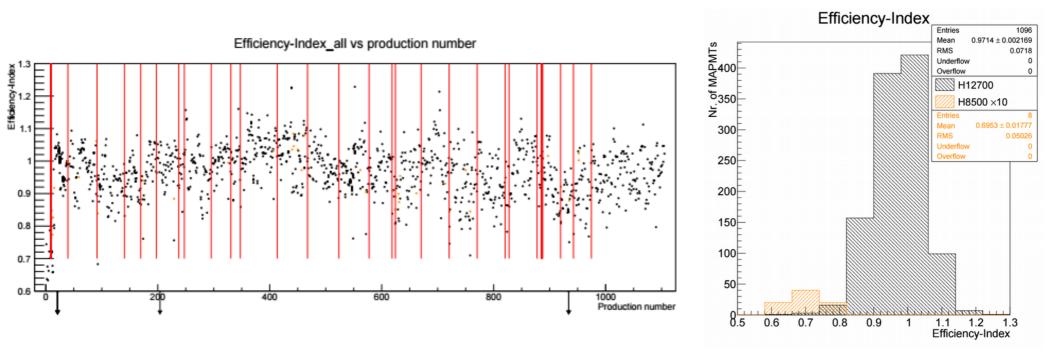


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Efficiency index over time

"Efficiency index" :

- measure of the relative single photon detection efficiency (@405nm),
- averaged over active area
- in relation to (average) reference PMTs ("1.0" = same efficiency as ref. PMT)

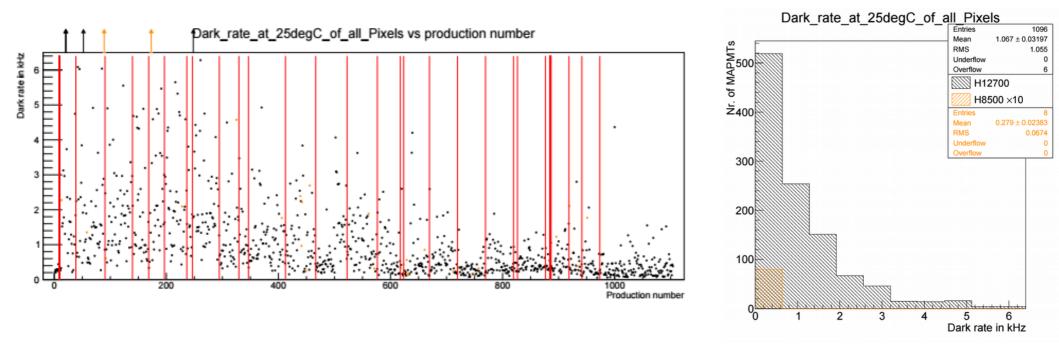


- Fairly constant over production time, variation \sim +- 10% •
- 30% improved efficiency compared to old H8500 MAPMTs •

MAPMT dark rate over time

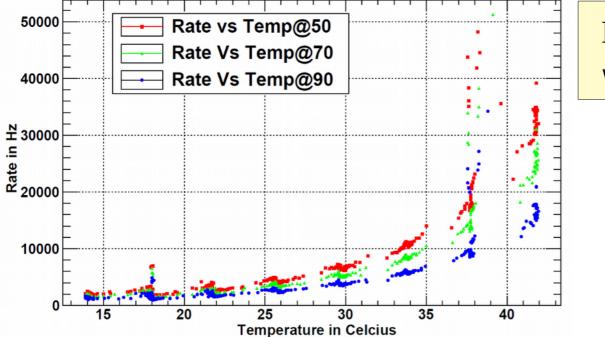
PMT total dark rate (sum of 64 pixel), 25°C - threshold ~ 30% of SEP peak

- measured after ~7 hr operation in total darkness
 Dark rate corrected for PMT temperature



- Dark rate is important criterium for CBM-RICH (self-triggered readout) •
- First H12700 MAPMT significantly higher dark rate compared to H8500 (->high qe cathode) usually only few pixel contribute very strongly, often corner / border pixel •
- Significant improvement over production period !

H12700 darkrate temperature dependence



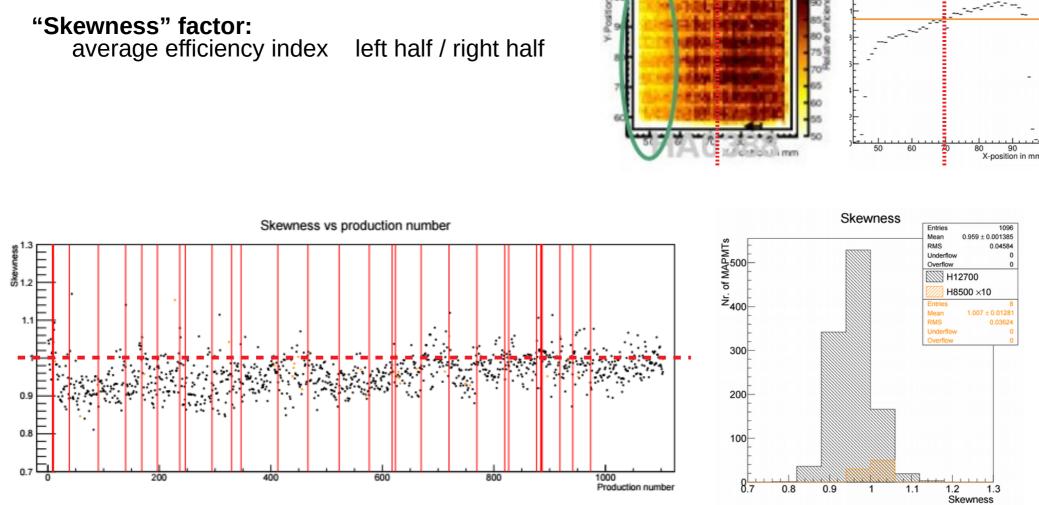
NR (T) = NR
$$(T_0) \cdot e^{\lambda \cdot (T-T_0)}$$

with $\lambda \sim 0.12 \text{ K}^{-1}$

PMT darkrate as function of temperature for 3 different threshold values (~ $20\% \dots 40\%$ single photon peak)

- λ parameter from fit to 5 MAMTS: fairly constant for all tested H12700 MAPMTs
- Allows to extrapolate measured dark rates to 25° "standard" temperature
- Strong increase in dark rate seen already at ~40° (due to exponential temperature dependance) \rightarrow important for cooling design

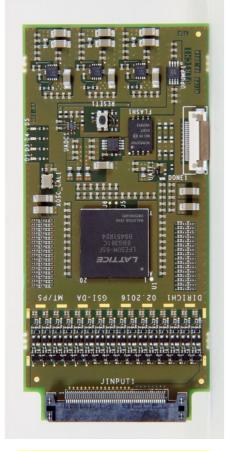
"skewness" number over time



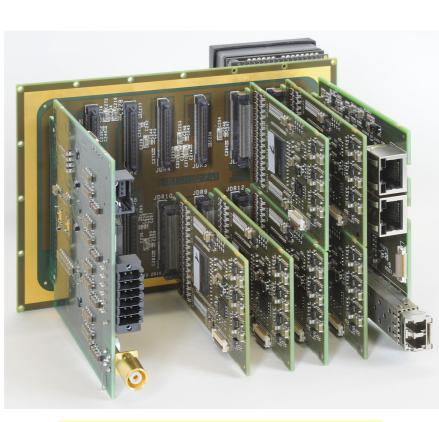
- Skewness not observed for H8500 MAPMTs
- "Skewness" improved over time (after feedback to Hamamatsu)

The DIRICH readout chain

Based on TRB development by M. Traxler, C. Ugur, J. Michel et al (TRB collaboration)



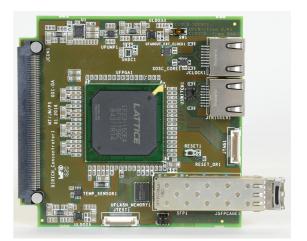
32ch DIRICH frontend module



3x2 MAPMT backplane (with few modules equipped)



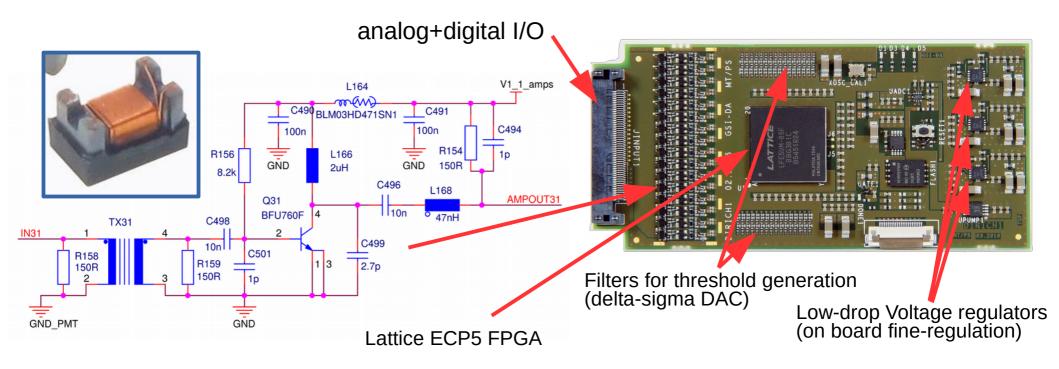
DIRICH-Power module (LV + HV supply, DCDC)



DIRICH-Combiner module

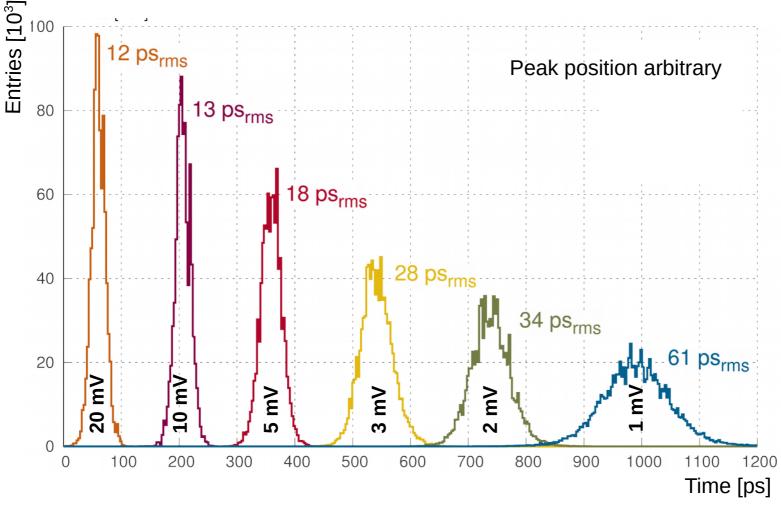
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DIRICH frontend module



- 32ch analog amplification, discrimination, leading+trailing edge TDC, digital control all implemented on single FPGA with few discrete elements only
- Galvanically isolated inputs to minimize noise and ground loops
- Single-stage transistor amplifier, amplitude gain ~30, high band width (4 GHz) amplifier: only 10 mW per channel (1.1V Vcc)
- Signal shaping to optimize time measurement
- Leading+Trailing edge time measurement on same channel using stretcher
- No signal integration: pure "amplitude measurement" (no charge measurement as on nXYter)
- Accurate Time-Over-Threshold measurement (for amplitude, walk corr.)
- Up to 50 MHz hit rate (burst)

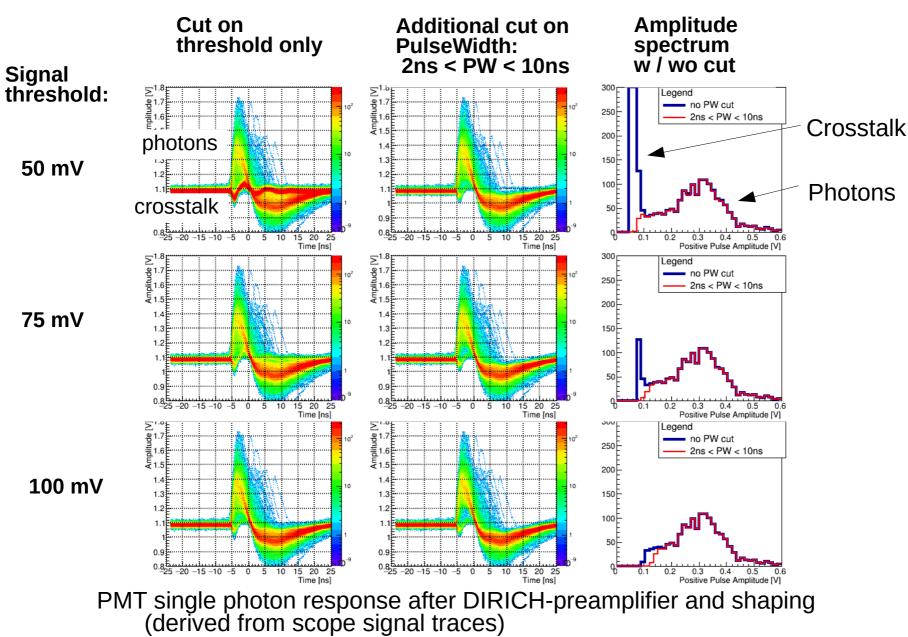
DIRICH timing precision in the lab - with pulse generator



Time difference between two DiRICH channels with same analog input signal

Excellent timing precision down to 1 mV pulse amplitude PMT TransitTimeSpread will be the limiting factor

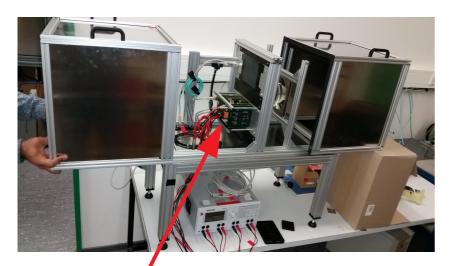
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Effect of cut on Pulsewidth

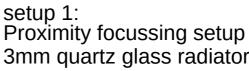
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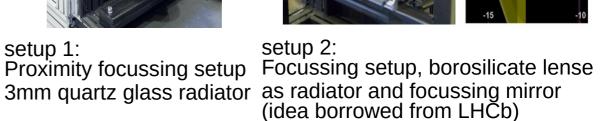
RICH@COSY prototype



2pc 3x2 readout modules, 24 (-2) DiRICH modules, 12 MAPMTs







1.8 GeV/c

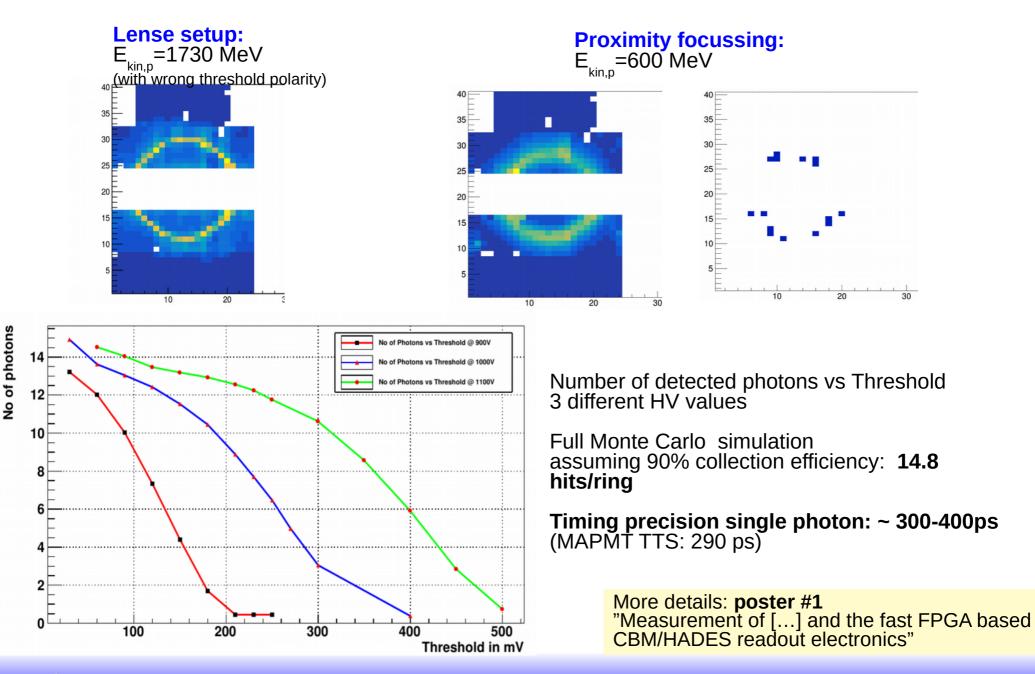
- Final test of readout chain before production
- COSY accelerator, FZ-Juelich •
- Proton beam, 1.8 GeV/c
- Two different setups: • proximity focussing / lense focussing setup







Photon detection efficiency



Summary and outlook

- Construction of FAIR facility now in full swing
 - First beam in SIS100 CBM/HADES cave expected for 2024
 - FAIR Phase0 with HADES@SIS18 starting this year
- Design of CBM RICH detector far advanced
 - Conceptual Design Report in 2019
- HADES photon detector upgraded using H12700 MAPMTs
- Detailed series testing of 1100pc H12700 MAPMTs for CBM and HADES
 - Several improvements (darkrate, uniformity) during massproduction
- New FPGA-TDC readout chain DiRICH
 - For MAPMTS: CBM- and HADES RICH
 - For MCPs: PANDA
 - Promising in-beam test of DiRICH readout chain at COSY
- HADES physics run with new RICH still this year !

Thank you for your attention



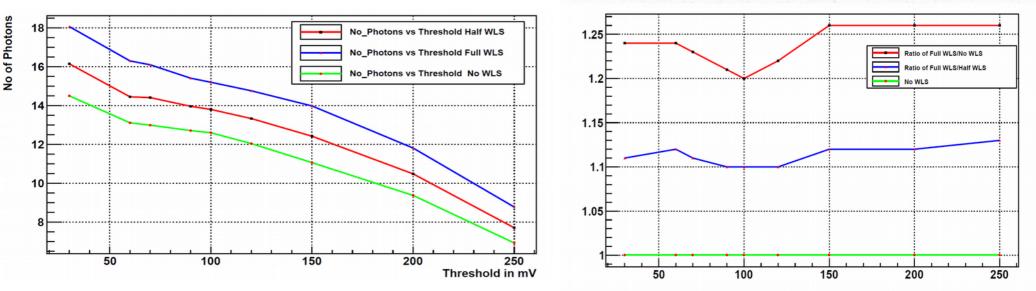
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Effect of WLS on efficiency

- Both HADES and CBM will use gaseous radiator : C4F10 / CO2 → most Cherenkov photons expected in UV range → Cherenkov photon yield usually THE critical parameter when building a RICH
- WLS coating of PMT glass window to enhance UV sensitivity
- WLS gain can only be realistically tested with real Cherenkov spectrum \rightarrow test beam

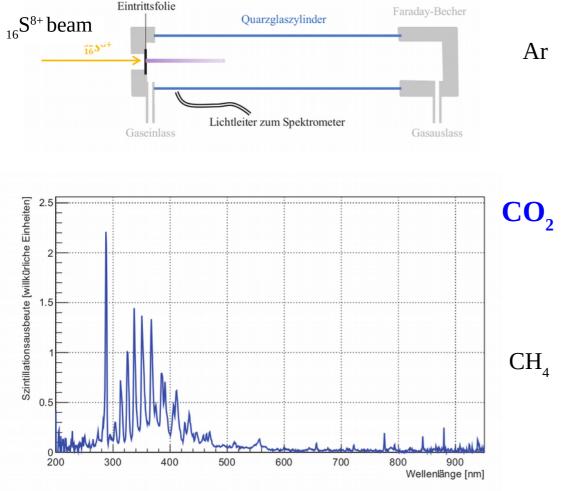
- Measurement during COSY test beam:
 Initially, all PMTs were WLS coated
 WLS layer removed in two consecutive steps
 - Allows for precise determination of Cherenkov photon yield
 - Also allows to study influence of WLS on photon timing



Ratio of different multiplcity vs Threshold in mV

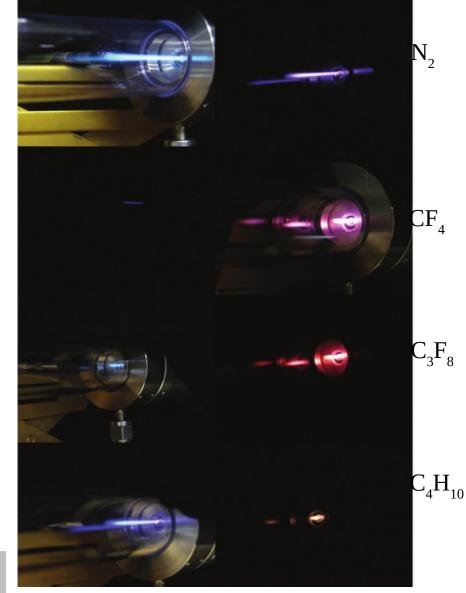


choice of radiator gas (CO₂) motivated by low fluorescence





Korbinian Schmidt-Sommerfeld master thesis TU Munich (Jürgen Friese)



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Alternative cooling concept

- Problem of "conventional" air cooling: Air blown from outside, **into** the electronics
- Highest temperatures at backplane, closest to PMT •
- Alternative idea: Use "compressed air" (~200 mbar) special "distribution masks" between backplane and DiRICH distribute air between modules

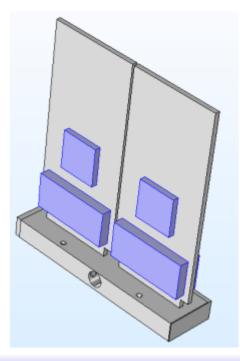


Cool air blown inside electronics, pushing warm air out of setup lowest temperatures close to backplane

- Promising first tests, but need larger air pump (~ 2 m³ / min, 200 mbar) Distribution masks already installed







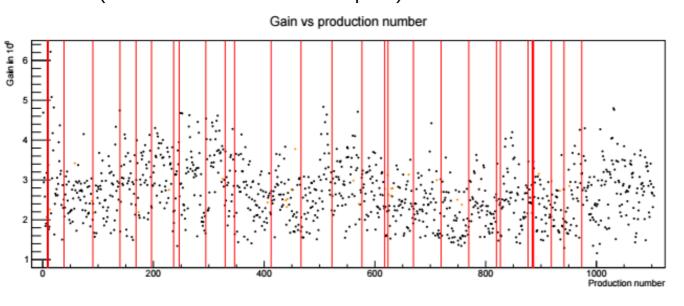
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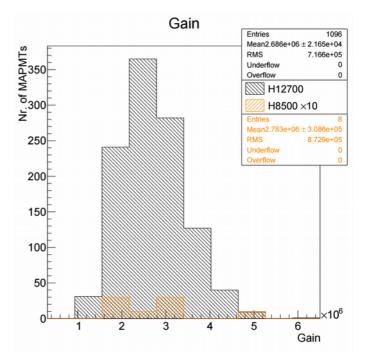


Selected results: gain @ 1000V

PMT Gain @ 1000V

- as derived from fit to single photon amplitude spectrum and charge calibration of ADC (measured in center of each pixel)





- Average gain: $\sim 2.5 \times 10^6$, maximum $\sim 5 \times 10^6$
- gain specification: > 0.8 x10⁶