BARREL DIRC DETECTORS FROM BABAR TO PANDA AND SUPERB



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BRIEF INTRODUCTION EXPERIENCE WITH DIRC: BABAR Design, Operations, Performance Disassembly Upgrade R&D – Fast Focusing DIRC

FUTURE BARREL DIRCS

SUPERB FDIRC

PANDA BARREL DIRC







DIRC CONCEPT

Detection of Internally Reflected Cherenkov Light

Novel type of Ring Imaging CHerenkov detector [§] based on total internal reflection of Cherenkov light.

Used for the first time in BABAR for hadronic particle ID (8+ years in factory mode).

Recent improvements in photon detectors have motivated R&D efforts to improve the successful BABAR-DIRC and make DIRCs interesting for future experiments.



§B.N. Ratcliff, SLAC-PUB-6047 (Jan. 1993)



DIRC CONCEPT

Solid

Radiator

Mirror

- Charged particle traversing radiator with refractive index n with $\beta = v/c > 1/n$ emits Cherenkov photons on cone with half opening angle $\cos \theta_c = 1/\beta n(\lambda)$.
- For n> $\sqrt{2}$ some photons are always totally internally reflected for $\beta \approx 1$ tracks.



- Magnitude of Cherenkov angle conserved during internal reflections (provided optical surfaces are square, parallel, highly polished)
- Mirror attached to one bar end, reflects photon back to readout end.



Focusing

Detector

Surface

Optics

Cherenkov Photon

Trajectories

Particle

Track



DIRC CONCEPT

- Photons exit radiator via optional focusing optics into expansion region, detected on photon detector array.
- DIRC is intrinsically a 3-D device, measuring: x, y, and time of Cherenkov photons, defining θ_c, φ_c, t_{propagation}.
- Ultimate deliverable for DIRC: PID likelihoods.
 Calculate likelihood for observed hit pattern

 (in detector space or in Cherenkov space)
 to be produced by e/μ/π/K/p
 plus event/track background.









THE BABAR DIRC

- DESIGN
- OPERATIONS
- PERFORMANCE
- DISASSEMBLY
- UPGRADE R&D











THE BABAR DETECTOR

Instrumented Flux Return



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THE DIRC IN BABAR

DIRC thickness:

8 cm radial incl. supports 19% radiation length at normal incidence DIRC radiators cover: 94% azimuth, 83% c.m. polar angle DIRC photon detection array: 10,752 PMTs ETL 9125









THE DIRC IN BABAR





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- ▶ 1992: first publication of DIRC concept (Blair Ratcliff).
- ▶ 1993-1996: progression of prototypes and DIRC R&D.
- ≻ Nov 1994: decision in favor of DIRC for hadronic PID for BABAR.
- ▶ Nov 1998: installed part of DIRC; start of cosmic ray run, commissioning run.
- ≻ April 1999: BABAR moves into beam line, added 4 more bar boxes.
- ▶ Nov 1999: all 12 bar boxes installed, start of first physics run.
- ≻ April 2008: last event recorded with BABAR.

PEP-II peak luminosity: $12.07 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{sec}^{-1}$ (4 × design) BABAR total recorded: ~ 467M BB pairs.

BABAR DIRC ran in factory mode for 8+ years.





DIRC Operations were Stable and Robust

- Calibration constants stable to typically *rms* < 0.1ns per year.
- No problems with water or gas systems.
- No evidence for deterioration of bar surfaces or glue boundaries.

The three most significant operational issues:

- Concerns about PMT longevity due to PMT window degradation;
 - \rightarrow photon loss a few % level, no problem for PID performance.
- Some damage to electronics due to dust/dirt from civil engineering near experiment;
 → solved by cleaning and application of conformal coating.
- Sensitivity of the DIRC to machine background interacting
 - in the water of the expansion region (primarily DAQ issue);







PMT LONGEVITY

PMT front window corrosion

- Discovered after ~ 1 year immersion Oct. 99.
- Status Oct. 99: ~ 50 *frosty* tubes and ~ 2/3 visibly *milky*.
- Only front glass affected, side glass fine.



Studies \rightarrow

- Strongly corroded (*frosty*) tubes are a bad batch of PMT glass (no zinc).
- Milkiness results from sodium depletion in near surface.
- No obvious immediate effect (water provided good coupling) but ...
 - \Rightarrow Worried that we might lose PMT efficiency with time.
 - \Rightarrow or might lose vacuum in some of the ~ 50 *frosty* tubes on 10 year time scale (front window thickness: 1mm).

Ultimately, until shutdown in Apr. 2008, no problems with milky or frosty PMTs observed. *(Stay tuned for update later.)*







Succession of lead shielding installed in 2000 and 2001.

Thanks to shielding, PMT rates acceptable even at $4 \times$ design lumi.







RECONSTRUCTION

DIRC "Ring" images:

- limited acceptance for total internal reflection,
- reflection ambiguities (initial reflection up/down, left/right, reflection off mirror (and wedge)

 \rightarrow up to 16 (θ_c , ϕ_c) ambiguities per PMT hit),

- toroidal detection surface,
- \rightarrow Cherenkov ring images are distorted:

complex, disjoint images.

Low energy photons from accelerator hit Standoff Box. At typical luminosity that caused rates of 80-200 kHz/tube. (100× the rate expected during experiment design phase.)

80-200 kHz \otimes 10,752 PMTs $\otimes \pm$ 300 nsec trigger window \rightarrow 500-1300 background hits (~10% occupancy) compared to 50-300 Cherenkov photons







For BABAR DIRC time information provided powerful tool to reject accelerator and event related background.

Calculate expected arrival time of Cherenkov photon based on

- track TOF
- photon propagation in radiator bar and in water



 $\sigma(\Delta t) = 1.7$ nsec

BABAR

x 10

2000

1500



BABAR DIRC single photon resolution agrees with design target.

Single Photon Cherenkov angle resolution:

 $\Delta \theta_{c,\gamma}$: difference measured $\theta_{c,\gamma}$ per photon solution and expected track θ_c (di-muons)



 $\sigma(\Delta \theta_{c,\gamma}) = 9.6 \text{ mrad}$

Expectation: ~9.5 mrad dominated by: 7mrad from PMT/bar size, 5.4mrad from chromatic term, 2-3mrad from bar imperfections.

~10% Background under $\Delta \theta_{c,\gamma}$ peak:

combinatoric background, track overlap, accelerator background,

 δ electrons in radiator bar, reflections at fused silica/glue interface, ...





PERFORMANCE EXAMPLE

Number of Cherenkov photons per track (di-muons) vs. polar angle:



Between 20 and 60 signal photons per track.

Very useful feature in BABAR environment: higher momentum correlated with larger polar angle values

→ more signal photons, better resolution (~ $1/\sqrt{N}$)





 $\sigma(\Delta \theta_c) = 2.4 \text{ mrad}$

Track Cherenkov angle resolution is within ~10% of design.





PERFORMANCE EXAMPLE

θ

 $D^{*-} \rightarrow D^0 \pi^ L_{K^-\pi^+}$ Events BABAR 10000 5000 0 0.145 0.15 0.155 0.14 0.16 $M_{K\pi\pi}$ - $M_{K\pi}$ (GeV/c^2)

- Select D⁰ candidate control sample with mass cut ($\pm 0.5 \text{ MeV/c}^2$)
- π and K are kinematically identified
- calculate selection efficiency and mis-id
- Correct for combinatorial background (avg. 6%) with sideband method.





RECONSTRUCTION

DIRC likelihood

Calculate unbiased likelihood for observed PMT signals to originate from $e/\mu/\pi/K/p$ track or from background. (Likelihood: $Pdf(\theta_c) \otimes Pdf(\Delta t) \otimes Pdf(N_{\gamma})$)

Two complementary reconstruction algorithms:

- iterative process to maximize event likelihood, full correlation of all tracks;
- individual track fit provides θ_c , $\sigma(\theta_c)$, number of signal/background photons.

Reflection ambiguities: for BABAR Δt cut reduced these from up to 16 to typically 2-3

Particle ID is based on log likelihood differences of the five hypotheses.



Example: Comparison of real event to simulated response of BABAR DIRC to $e/\pi/K/p$.





PERFORMANCE EXAMPLE





π/K separation power:

Measure Cherenkov angle resolution as function of track momentum for pions and kaons, kinematically identified in D* decays.

 \rightarrow about 4.3 σ separation at 3GeV/c, close to 3 σ separation at 4GeV/c





BABAR DIRC CONCLUSION

- > The DIRC well matched to asymmetric B-factory environment, capable of π -K separation for momenta up to ~ 4 GeV/c.
- » Eight+ years of experience in PEP-II/BABAR B-factory mode: DIRC very reliable, robust, easy to operate.
- After 8+ years no evidence of bar surface quality deterioration or radiation damage to bars or glue;
 98% of channels and pixels fully functional to the end.
- Machine backgrounds up to 300 kHz/PMT at 12·10³³/cm²·s no problem for reconstruction due to good timing resolution.
- Lead shielding and new TDC chips, installed in 2002, kept DIRC working safely at four times design luminosity.
- > Single photon time and Cherenkov angle resolution and photon yield close to nominal.
- > Track Cherenkov angle resolution within 10% of design.
- > DIRC plays significant role in almost all BABAR physics analyses published to date.





October 2010: DIRC disassembly – procedure planned out in detail.

Open stand-off box, inspect and protect bar boxes and PMTs, remove inner cylinder, remove doors, remove bar boxes, mechanical support.









Inspection of PMTs shows that almost in air all PMT faces now appear "frosty."

Some un-corroded PMT faces, clustered in some sectors (different glass).

Note that frosty PMTs performed just as well as non-frosty.





Frosty/milky appearance of front glass window for most DIRC PMTs.

Water provided good coupling, PMT glass looked transparent in water.

PMT performance (PDE) still good (J. Va'vra test with glued front glass)













Removal of inner cylinder.











How do you remove bar boxes? Very carefully. No indication of pollution or rust in tracks.

Water stain in corner of window of one bar box (consistent with small water leak observed via gas humidity following initial installation).





Jochen Schwiening, DIRC 2011, Giessen, Apr 2011



All 12 bar boxes in storage.

Visual inspection using bright light shows no damage to bars or glue bonds.

(Consistent with detailed detector analysis results.)



Sunny day in January 2011: Strong support tube moved to storage.



All DIRC components now in storage, ready for trip to SuperB in Italy.



IMPROVING ON BABAR DIRC

The DIRC approach was very successful in BABAR. As early as 2000 R&D efforts underway to improve future DIRCs.

- Make DIRC less sensitive to background
 - $_{\circ}$ decrease size of expansion volume;
 - o use photon detectors with smaller pixels and faster timing;
 - place photon detector inside magnetic field.
- Investigate alternative radiator shapes (plates, disks)
- Push DIRC π/K separation by improving single-photon θ_C resolution
 - focusing optics to reduce bar size contribution;
 - $_{\circ}$ smaller pixels to reduce pixel size contribution;
 - $_{\circ}$ mitigate effect of dispersion using fast timing, filters, etc.

\rightarrow R&D for SuperB – Belle II – PANDA – and beyond



IMPROVING DIRC RESOLUTION



PID performance driven by Cherenkov angle (θ_C) resolution. Required resolution defined by refractive index of radiator.

Example: π/K separation in synthetic fused silica $\langle n \rangle \approx 1.473$ $\rightarrow 6.5 \text{ mrad } \pi/K \text{ difference in } \theta_C \text{ at } 4 \text{ GeV/c};$ $\rightarrow \text{need} \sim 2.2 \text{ mrad resolution for } 3 \text{ s.d. separation.}$

Cherenkov angle resolution determined by single photon resolution (scales with $1/\sqrt{N_{\gamma}}$) and correlated terms (mult. scattering, etc).

R&D ideas to push DIRC 3 s.d. π/K separation limit to higher momenta than BABAR.

BABAR-DIRC Cherenkov angle resolution: 9.6 mrad per photon \rightarrow 2.4 mrad per track Limited in BABAR by: Could be improved for future DIRCs via: • size of bar image ~4.1 mrad ----- focusing optics SUPERB & • size of PMT pixel • smaller pixel size ~5.5 mrad -----PANDA better time resolution **DIRC** Designs • chromaticity $(n=n(\lambda))$ ~5.4 mrad -----9.6 mrad -----4-5 mrad per photon \rightarrow < 1.5–2 mrad per track





- > In 2000 plans existed for a "Super B-Factory" at SLAC.
 - Super-PEP-II upgrade of accelerator and IR for 100x higher luminosity.
 - Super-BABAR upgrade to further improve physics performance and allow safe operation at high luminosity.
- > BABAR DIRC group started R&D to push DIRC π/K separation power to higher momentum and reduce sensitivity to backgrounds.
- » DIRC R&D effort at SLAC (led by J. Va'vra) concentrated on:
 - $_{\circ}$ using focusing mirror to reduce contribution of bar size to θ_c resolution;
 - mitigating effect of chromatic dispersion using fast photon timing.
 - decreasing volume of stand-off box by factor 10;
- Started with R&D on compact multi-pixel photon detectors, progressed with multi-bar prototypes in cosmic ray telescope facility and test beams, including complex readout electronics R&D.
- > Resulted in FDIRC design for SuperB in Italy.









Main criteria for selection

• Timing resolution

timing resolution $\sigma_t < 200$ ps required for chromatic correction (for BABAR-DIRC bar length)

• Pixel size

small pixels allow reduction of size of expansion region without compromising angular resolution

• Single photon efficiency

need quantum efficiency ~20-30% and >70% packing efficiency to match BABAR-DIRC photon yield

Main candidates

- Burle 85011-501 MCP-PMT
- Burle 85011-430 MCP-PMT
- Burle 85021-600 MCP-PMT
- Hamamatsu H-8500 Multianode PMT
- Hamamatsu H-9500 Multianode PMT

Measure timing resolution, uniformity, and cross talk

- PiLas laser diodes (35ps FWHM, $\lambda = 407 / 635$ nm)
- Scan PiLas across PMT face using motion-controlled x&y stage (typical step size 200-500µm)







FOCUSING DIRC PROTOTYPE OPTICS





- Radiator:
 - 1.7 cm thick, 3.5 cm wide, 3.7 m long fused silica bar (spares from BABAR DIRC).
- Optical expansion region:
 - filled with a mineral oil to match the fused silica refraction index (KamLand oil).
 - include optical fiber for the electronics calibration (PiLas laser diode).
- Focusing optics:
 - a spherical mirror with 49cm focal length focuses photons onto a detector plane.





BEAM TEST SETUP



- SLAC 10 GeV/c electron beam in End Station A
- Beam enters bar at 90° angle
- Prototype is movable to 7 beam positions along bar
- Time start from the LINAC RF signal, but correctable with a local START counter
- SLAC-built amplifier and constant fraction discriminator
- TDC is Phillips 7186 (25ps/count), CAMAC readout









Prototype coordinate systems:

Geant 4 simulation of the prototype:



Approach similar to BABAR DIRC (and current PANDA Barrel DIRC approach)

- Each detector pixel determines these photon parameters for average λ : θ_c , $\cos \alpha$, $\cos \beta$, $\cos \gamma$, Photon path length, time-of-propagation, number of photon bounces.
- Full GEANT4 simulation to obtain the photon track parameters for each pixel. (it is checked by a ray-tracing software)







- 10 GeV/c electron beam data
- approx. 7.7M triggers, 560k good single e⁻ events
- ~ 200 pixels instrumented
- Ring image is most narrow in the
 - 3 x 12 mm pixel detector (H-9500 in slot 3)







Jochen Schwiening, DIRC 2011, Giessen, Apr 2011

CORRECTING THE CHROMATIC ERROR ON θ_{c}







CHROMATIC CORRECTION RESULTS





- The chromatic correction starts working for $L_{path} > 2-3$ meters due to a limited timing resolution of the present photon detectors.
- Holes in the <u>uncorrected</u> distributions are caused by the coarse <u>pixelization</u>, which also tends to worsen the resolution. In the corrected distributions this effect is removed because of the time correction.
- Smaller pixel size (3mm) helps to improve the Cherenkov angle resolution.





GEANT4 SIMULATION

14

12



error bar





 θ_c resolution - 3mm pixels only:



0

-100

-200

- Main contributions to the θ_c resolution:
 - chromatic smearing: ~ 3-4 mrad
 - 6mm pixel size: ~5.5 mrad
 - optical aberrations of this particular design: grows from 0 mrad at ring center to 9 mrad in outer wings of Cherenkov ring (this effect is caused by the spherical focusing mirror in the present design)

100

200

x (mm)



FDIRC R&D SUMMARY



- R&D of photon detectors identified Hamamatsu H-8500 and H-9500 as well as Burle 85011 MCP-PMTs as good sensor candidates for SuperB.
- Small pixels allow compact expansion volume, reducing sensitivity to accelerator-induced background.
- Photon yield consistent with BABAR DIRC.
- Focusing mirror improved single-photon θ_C resolution.
- Demonstrated that the chromatic error of θ_C can be corrected using fast timing. (First RICH detector which has been able to do this.)
- Single-photon $\theta_{\rm C}$ resolution 5.5 7 mrad after chromatic correction for long paths (consistent with G4 simulation).
- Successful proof of principle for SuperB.



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FUTURE DIRC DETECTORS

• **SUPERB** DETECTOR IN ITALY

o FDIRC

• PANDA

 \circ BARREL DIRC \rightarrow more detail in Carsten's talk

 $\circ \text{ ENDCAP DISK DIRC } \rightarrow see \text{ Michael's talk}$

• BELLE II DETECTOR AT SUPERKEKB IN JAPAN

 \circ TOP COUNTER \rightarrow see Kazuhito's talk

• WASA (COSY), LHCB UPGRADE, EIC & PHENIX UPGRADES, ETC

 \rightarrow see talks by Klaus, Thierry









FDIRC FOR ITALIAN SUPERB



Italian priority flagship project, approved Dec. 2010, 250M€ recently released for machine.

Physics Goals

Exploration of CKM parameters at 1% precision.

New physics in search for CP violation in D decays, in search LFV in tau decays, in search CP violation in tau decays.

Sensitivity to New Physics phenomena up to energies ~ 30 TeV (beyond LHC energies) Physics white paper arXiv:1008.1541 Detector CDR arXiv:0709.0451





Focusing DIRC (FDIRC):

barrel PID system for SuperB detector in Italy (Frascati/Tor Vergata).

Important constraint:

BABAR DIRC bar boxes will be reused, readout outside magnetic field.

Expect much higher backgrounds at 10^{36} /cm²·s (100 times BABAR luminosity)

 \rightarrow decrease size of expansion volume (main source of background in BABAR DIRC).

Design based on FDIRC R&D at SLAC (proof of principle); new optics and electronics

Complete redesign of the photon camera (SLAC-PUB-14282)

- True 3D imaging using:
 - $_{\circ}$ 25× smaller volume of the photon camera
 - \circ 10× better timing resolution to detect single photons
- Optical design is based entirely on Fused Silica glass avoid water or oil as optical medium







FDIRC FOR ITALIAN SUPERB

H8500

- Photon camera design (FBLOCK):
 - Initial design by ray-tracing (SLAC-PUB-13763)
 - Geant4 model now (SLAC-PUB-14282 RICH 2010 talk)
 - Focusing block from Corning 7980 sythetic fused silica
- Main optical components
 - New wedge (old bar box wedge was not long enough)
 - Cylindrical mirror to remove bar thickness
 - Double-folded mirror optics to provide access to detectors
- Photon detectors: highly pixilated H-8500 MaPMTs
 - Total number of detectors per FBLOCK: 48
 - Total number of detectors: 576 [12 FBLOCKs]
 - Total number of pixels: $576 \times 32 = 18,432$









- FDIRC design parameters
 - Timing resolution per photon: ~ 200 ps
 - Cherenkov resolution per photon: 9-10 mrad
 - Cherenkov angle resolution per track: 2.5-3.0 mrad
 - Cherenkov angle determined from 2D spatial coordinates
 - Time primarily used to correct chromatic dispersion
- Members of the SuperB PID system
 - USA: SLAC, Maryland, Cincinnati
 - France: LAL, LPNHE
 - Italy: Bari, Padova
 - Russia: Novosibirsk



All SuperB FDIRC





Mechanical design







FDIRC FOR ITALIAN SUPERB

- FDIRC prototype to be tested this summer in the SLAC Cosmic Ray Telescope
- Activities
 - Validation of the optics design
 - Mechanical design & integration
 - Front-end electronics
 - TDC: 70 ps resolution; rate: a few MHz/pixel
 - Simulation: background, reconstruction...
- Design to be frozen for the TDR (early 2012)
- Main future challenge
 - Move from R&D to construction phase!







PANDA BARREL DIRC

PANDA: Anti-Proton ANnihilation at DArmstadt (450 physicists, 17 countries) future experiment at FAIR facility at GSI (*about an hour south from here*).









PANDA PHYSICS PROGRAM

Study of QCD with Antiprotons

- Charmonium Spectroscopy
 - Precision Spectroscopy
 - Study of Confinement Potential
 - Access to all these puzzling X, Y and Z
- Search for Exotics
 - Look for Glueballs and Hybrids
 - Gluon rich environment \rightarrow high discovery potential
 - Disentangle Mixing via PWA
- Hadrons in Medium
 - Study in-medium modification of Hadrons
- Nucleon Structure
 - Generalized Parton Distribution
 - Timelike Form Factor of the Proton
 - Drell-Yan Process
- Hypernuclear Physics ... and more





FAIR

Facility for Antiproton and Ion Research at GSI near Darmstadt, Germany

100m

GSI: German National Lab for Heavy Ion Research



- Hadron Structure and Dynamics
- Nuclear and Quark Matter
- Physics of Super-heavy Elements
- Nuclear Structure and Astrophysics
- Atomic Physics, Plasma Physics, Materials Research, Radiobiology, ...
- Accelerators and Detectors





o a nd a **HESR:** HIGH ENERGY STORAGE RING

- Average production rate: $2 \times 10^{7/\text{sec}}$
- $p_{\text{beam}} = 1.5 \dots 15 \text{ GeV/c}$
- $N_{stored} = up \text{ to } 1 \times 10^{11} \text{ p}^{-1}$
- Internal Target •
- Beam Cooling (Electron & Stochastic)
- High Resolution Mode (up to 8.9 GeV/c)
 - $-\delta p/p \approx 10^{-5}$
 - $L = 10^{31} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$
- High Luminosity Mode
 - $-\delta p/p \approx 10^{-4}$
 - L = 2 × 10³² cm⁻²s⁻¹







• At present a group of **460 physicists** from 54 institutions and 16 countries

Austria – Belaruz – China – France – Germany – India – Italy – The Netherlands – Poland – Romania – Russia – Spain – Sweden – Switzerland – U.K. – U.S.A.

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PARTICLE IDENTIFICATION

PANDA PID Requirements

- Particle identification essential tool.
- Momentum range 200 MeV/c 10 GeV/c.
- Seversal PID methods needed to cover entire momentum range.

PID Processes

- Cherenkov radiation Radiators: synthetic fused silica
- Energy loss GEM TPC or Straw Tubes
- Time of flight: Scintillating Tiles
- Electromagnetic showers: *EMC for e and γ*







DIRCs IN PANDA

DIRC detector advantages

- Thin in radius and radiation length.
- Moderate and uniform amount of material in front of EM calorimeter.
- Fast and tolerant of background.
- Robust and stable detector operations.

PANDA: two DIRC detectors

 Barrel DIRC – similar to BABAR DIRC with several improvements.

PID goal: $3\sigma \pi/K$ separation for p<3.5 GeV/c.

• Novel endcap Disc DIRC ($3\sigma \pi/K$ separation up to 4 GeV/c).

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PANDA BARREL DIRC

How do we plan to improve on the successful BABAR-DIRC design for PANDA?

- Focusing optics remove bar size contribution from Cherenkov angle resolution term. Lens or mirror focusing on flat detector surface.
- Compact multi-pixel photon detectors allow smaller expansion region, make DIRC less sensitive to background. MCP-PMTs, MAPMTs, gAPDs potential candidates.
- Fast photon detection ($\sigma_{TTS} \approx 100-200 \text{ps}$) allows correction of chromatic dispersion. Proof-of-principle shown in 2007 by Focusing DIRC at SLAC.



NLAK33A lens



PANDA BARREL DIRC DESIGN

Current PANDA Barrel DIRC baseline design:

- Barrel radius ~50 cm; expansion volume depth: 30 cm.
- 80 radiator bars, synthetic fused silica
 17mm (T) × 33mm (W) × 2500mm (L).
- Focusing optics: doublet lens system.
- Compact photon detector: 30 cm oil-filled expansion volume, 10-15,000 channels of MCP-PMTs.
- Fast photon detection: fast TDC plus ADC (or ToT) electronics.
- Expected performance:

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Single photon Cherenkov angle resolution: 8-9 mrad.

Number of photoelectrons per track: >20;

PID: at least 3 standard deviations π/K separation from 0.5 GeV/c up to 4 GeV/c.

Still investigating several design options (*see Maria's talk on Wednesday*): mirror focusing, radiator plates, photon detection outside magnetic field.

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Expected PID performance example.

 $p\bar{p} \rightarrow J/\Psi \Phi \quad \sqrt{s} = 4.4 \ GeV/c^2$





PANDA R&D AND PROTOTYPES

Examples of ongoing detector R&D projects for PANDA DIRC

- Photon detectors
 - Uniformity, gain, photo-detection efficiency
 - Rate tolerance, lifetime
- Radiators

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- Radiation hardness
- Fabrication quality assurance
- Gluing, assembly
- Readout
 - Amplification
 - Digitization (TDC, ADC, ToT, waveform sampling)
- Optics
 - Lightguides, lenses, mirrors, chromatic correction (software and hardware)
- Software
 - Simulation, reconstruction

Barrel and disk detector prototypes in test beams at GSI, Jülich, CERN, and DESY since 2008.

Multiple presentations on R&D projects related to PANDA-DIRC this year at RICH 2010: E. Cowie, M. Hoek, A. Lehmann, J. Marton, C. Schwarz, J.S.



Production of large pieces (bars, plates, disk segments), mechanical tolerances on flatness, squareness and parallelism with optical finish and sharp corners.
 → difficult, expensive, few qualified vendors worldwide.

- BABAR-DIRC used bars polished to 5 Å *rms*, non-squareness < 0.25 mrad successfully done for BABAR, need to qualify/retrain vendors 10+ years later.
- Can relax some of those specs for PANDA DIRCs due to shorter photon paths.
- Technological advances may help PANDA DIRCs:
 - Extrusion of long bars, Magnetorheological Finishing (MRF), etc.
- Have started discussions with potential vendors in Europe and USA, obtained several prototype bars, measuring surfaces and angles at GSI.











PHOTODETECTORS

Yesterday you already heard a lot about the sensor challenge for PANDA.

Briefly: Barrel DIRC is asking a lot of fast compact multi-pixel photon detectors

- Single photon sensitivity, low dark count rate;
- Reasonably high photo detection efficiency;
- $\sigma_{TTS} \approx 100 \text{ ps};$
- Few mm position resolution;
- Operation in 0.9-1.1 T magnetic field;
- Tolerate rates of 0.2 MHz/cm²;
- Long lifetime: ~ $0.5 \text{ C/cm}^2/\text{yr}$ at 10^6 gain .

No currently available sensor matches all criteria; promising candidates: MCP-PMTs, MAPMTs, SiPM/gAPDs, ...

Testing detectors and readout electronics with DIRC prototypes in test beams or with fast pico-second laser pulsers (PicoQuant, PiLas) on test bench.





Electronics design demanding

- Signal rise time typically few hundred picoseconds.
- 10-100x preamplifiers needed.
- High bandwidth 500MHz few GHz (optimum bandwidth not obvious).
- Pulse height information required for < 100 ps timing (time walk correction), also desirable for 100-200 ps timing. ADC / time over threshold / waveform sampling / ...
- PANDA will run trigger-less.
- Example:

HADES TRB board with NINO TOF add-on in GSI test beam in 2009, updated TOF add-on will be in 2011 test beams at GSI and CERN.

 \rightarrow more detail in Michael's talk tomorrow

• Significant development effort ahead.





Panda PANDA BARREL DIRC SUMMARY

PANDA Barrel DIRC:

fast focusing DIRC inspired by BABAR-DIRC; important improvements (compact readout, focusing, fast timing).

R&D activities (many common efforts with PANDA Disc DIRC):

radiator quality, focusing optics, photon detectors, readout electronics, fast timing, chromatic correction, simulation, reconstruction, and more.

Key challenges:

- Pico-second timing with single photons in environment with 1 C/cm²/yr and 1 T. \rightarrow Discussing solutions with industry, testing prototypes in lab.
- Cherenkov radiator (bars or plates) production and assembly.
 - \rightarrow Started discussion with potential vendors, purchased prototype pieces.
- Design of detector optics and reconstruction software.
 - \rightarrow Developing simulation framework (Geant and ray-tracing).

Test beams and pico-second laser pulsers:

essential tools for qualifying bars, sensors, and electronics.

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