



# *SIDIS Cherenkov Detectors*

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# Outline

→ Requirements: **2 Cherenkov detectors** for positive identification of electrons and pions

→ Design

→ Mirrors

→ Photon detector options: **GEMs + CsI , PMTs**

→ Detectors performance

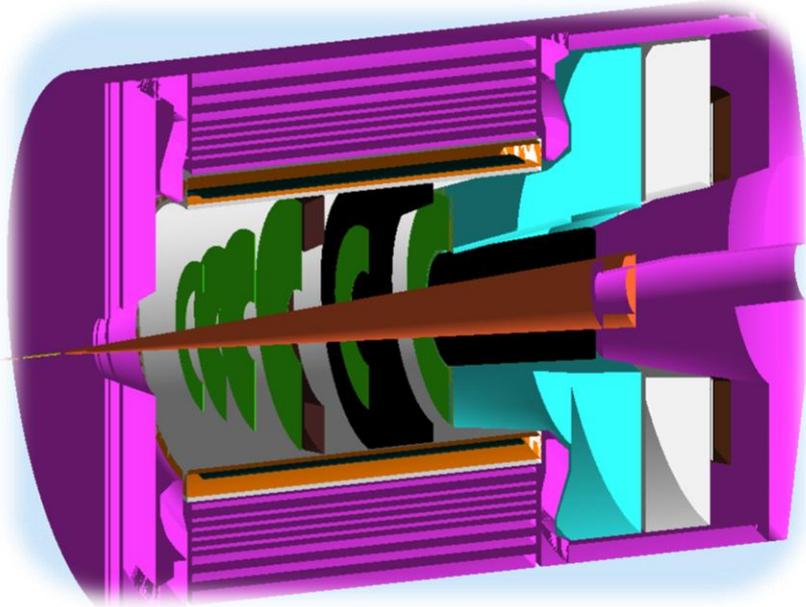
→ The electron Cherenkov: collection efficiency and signal

→ The pion Cherenkov: work in progress



# Requirements

→ **Threshold Cherenkov:** { **electron-pion separation**  
**pion-kaon/proton separation**



**SIDIS electron Cherenkov:** 1.5 – 4.5 GeV

- **positive** identification of **electrons**
- don't care about performance below 1.5 GeV
- $\text{CO}_2$ ,  $\text{CF}_4$  would work as radiator
- gas length available:  $\sim 2$  m (kinematics dependent)

**SIDIS pion Cherenkov:** 2.5 – 7.5 GeV

- **positive** identification of **pions**
- $\text{C}_4\text{F}_8\text{O}$  at 1.5 atm would work as radiator
- gas length available:  $\sim 0.9$  m (kinematics dependent)

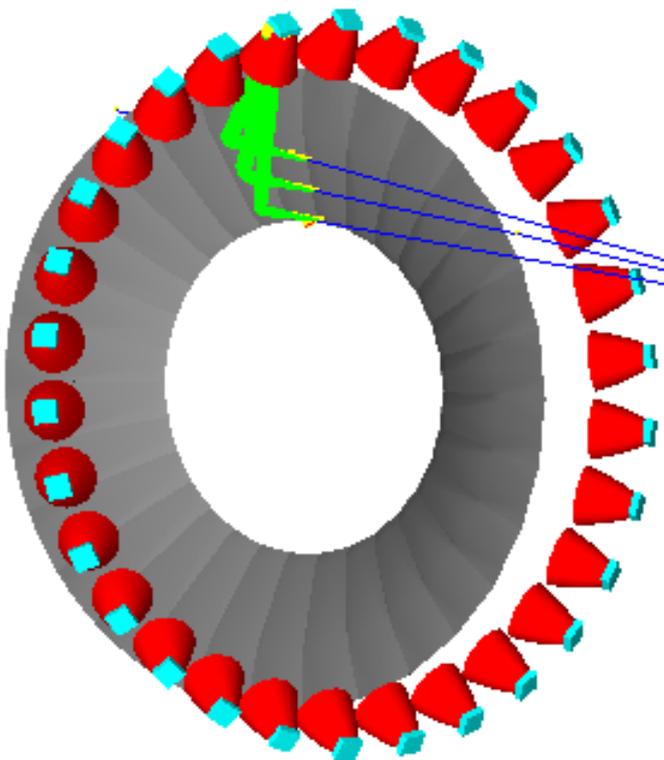
→  **$2\pi$  coverage** (SIDIS)

→ Perform in non-negligible **magnetic field environment**

→ **Simple design:** cost effective, easy to install, operate

# Optics: Spherical Mirrors

➔ **Purpose:** focus on small size photon detectors + ensure good  $2\pi$  coverage



How we “make” them: using the “small spread around the central ray” approximation

**Input:**  $x_i$  (central ray) and  $x_r$  (the photon detector coordinates)

**Output:** radius of sphere (**mirror curvature**) and position of its center

$$R = \frac{2}{\cos \theta \left( \frac{1}{x_i} + \frac{1}{x_r} \right)}$$

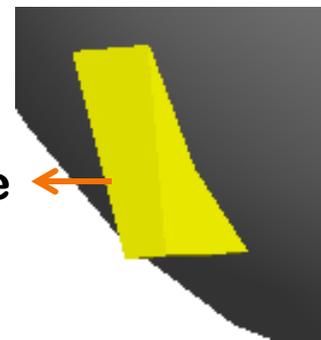
$x_i$  = incident ray on mirror

$x_r$  = reflected ray

$\theta$  = angle between incident ray and normal to the mirror

The mirror size is defined by the polar angular acceptance that needs to be covered and number of sectors (30)\*

**Cone section** with size defined by the min and max polar angles intersects sphere of radius R to cut out one of the 30 spherical mirrors



\*SIDIS doesn't need sectoring but PVDIS does

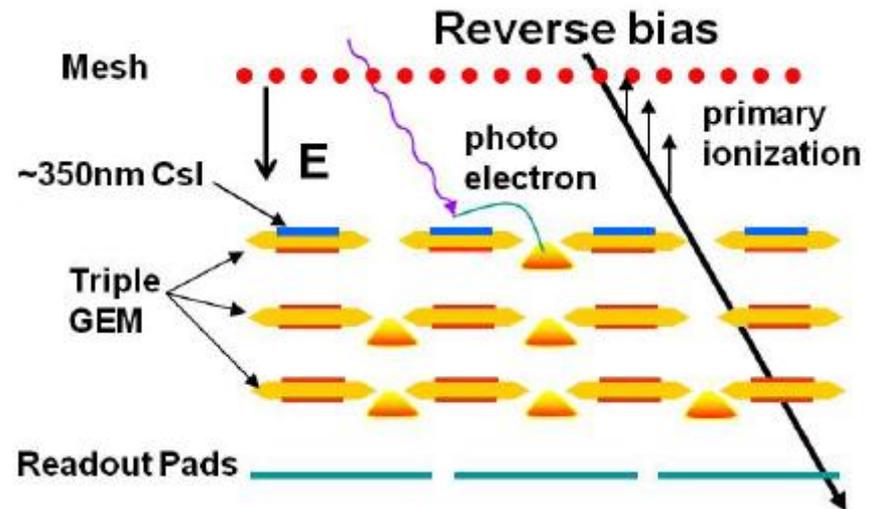
# Photon Detectors

## GEMs + CsI (used by PHENIX)

- Insensitive to magnetic field
- CsI: sensitive to deep UV light, high quantum efficiency (up to 60-70% at 110 nm)

We need: 

- Pure gas transparent to UV light
- Mirrors with good reflectivity in deep UV



## PMTs

- Sensitive to magnetic field
- Photocathodes typically sensitive to visible light mostly

We need PMTs: 

- Resistant in SoLID magnetic field
- Suitable for tiling



H8500C-03

Other: we 'll keep looking

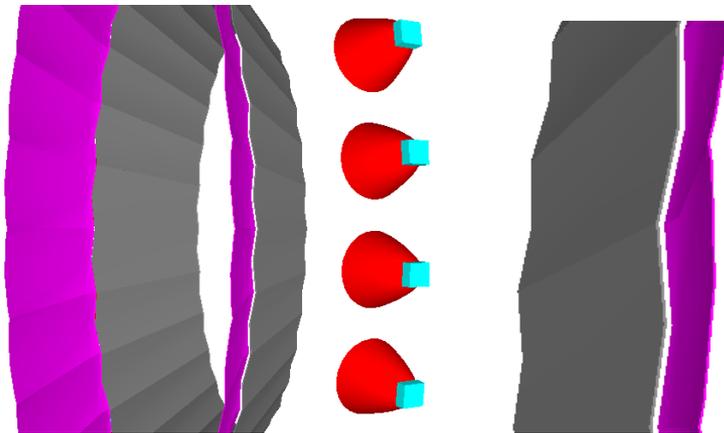
# The Electron Cherenkov (PMTs): Design



- ➔ Radiator:  $\text{CO}_2$
- ➔ Mirror: 30 spherical mirrors in 2 parts each\* → 2 rings of mirrors: inner and outer
- ➔ Photon detector: now 4 2" H8500C-03 per sector in 2 by 2 arrays
- ➔ Winston cones

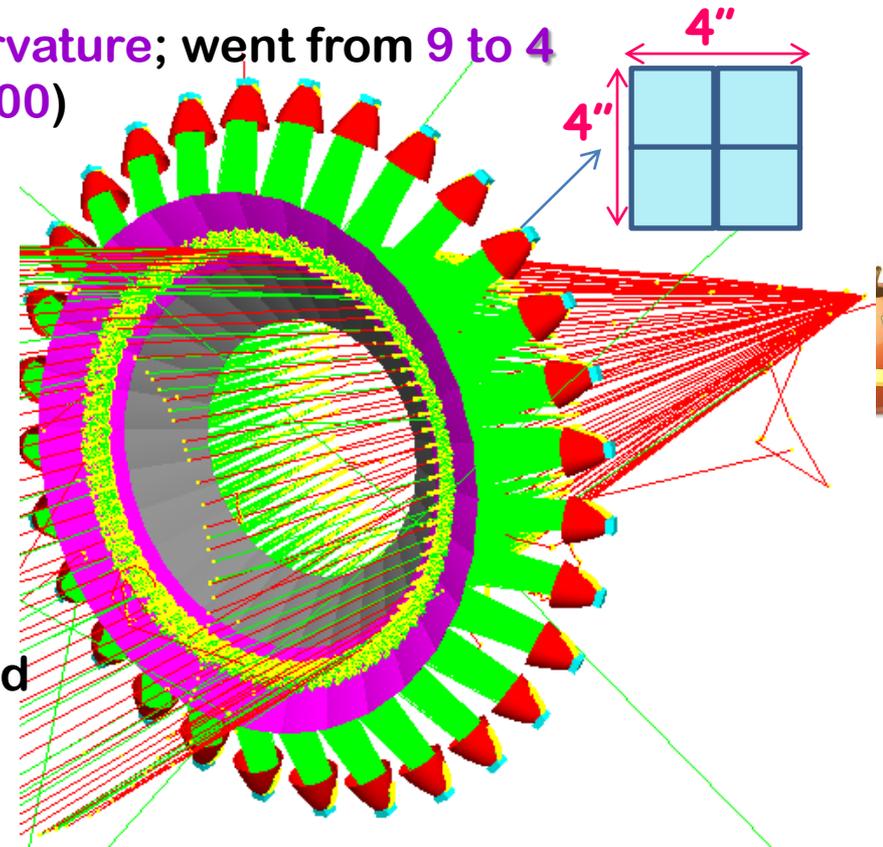
\*mirror splitting for manufacturing & coating purposes (see Eric's talk)

→ benefit: make each part of different curvature; went from 9 to 4 PMTs per sector (saves cost: 1 PMT = \$3000)



→ "exciting opportunity": make them of light and rigid material to remove the need for double edge support

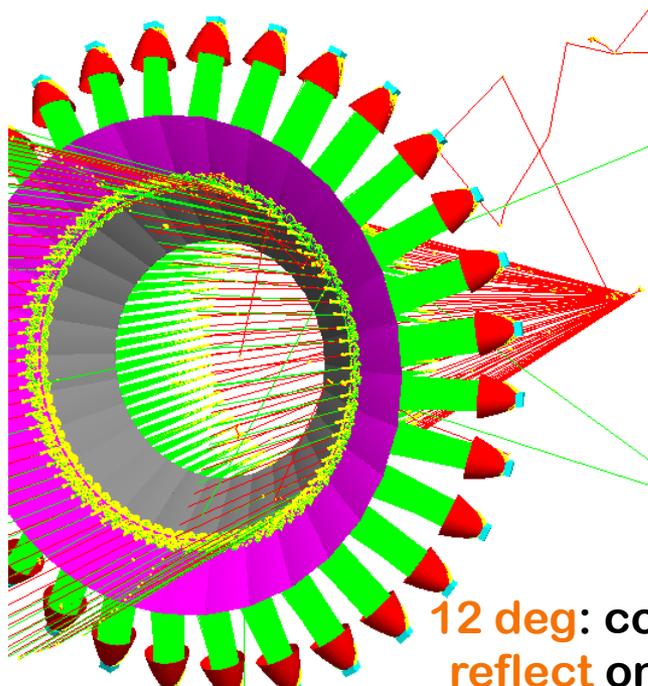
➔ No impact on physics phase space



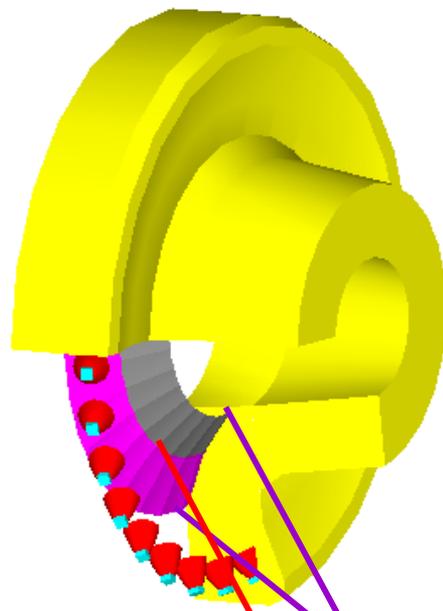
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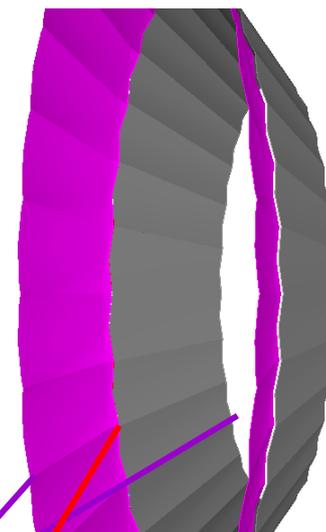
➔ **Mirrors:** light & rigid material so no double-edge support would be needed



12 deg: cone of photons reflect on both mirrors (boundary)



support  
no support



➔ **Options:** glass-coated beryllium technology & carbon fiber technology

Both extensively studied/tested at CERN for the RICH LHCb (the carbon fiber was chosen: delivery time and cost)



# Cherenkov Mirrors: Material & Support



## → Mirrors: glass-coated beryllium

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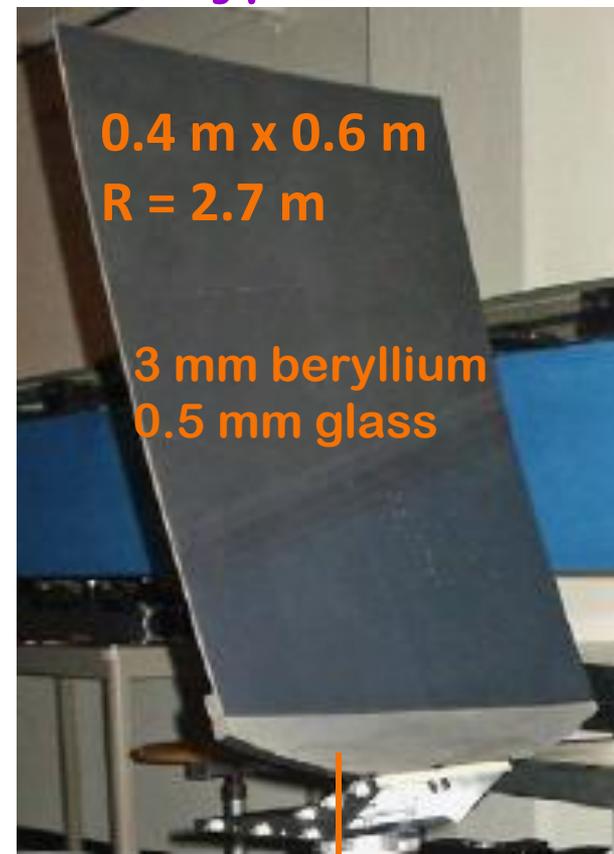
**Advantages:** radiation hard, fluorocarbon compatibility, non-magnetic, light-weight, good rigidity

→ Without glass (+ Al) coating, poor reflectivity in visible and UV: 50%;  
with glass (+ Al) coating: 90% for  $\lambda > 200 \text{ nm}$

**LHCb prototype (made in Russia):**  
central point support on the beryllium rim (single bolt) → maximum deflection of the mirror due to gravity =  $160 \mu\text{m}$

**Disadvantages:** high manufacturing costs + high toxicity (requires special safety measures during manufacturing and handling)

## Prototype for LHCb



20 mm thick beryllium rim at one edge to support it



# Cherenkov Mirrors: Material & Support



➔ **Mirrors:** carbon fiber reinforced polymer (CFRP)

70% carbon-fiber (reinforcement material) +  
30% resin (binds the fibers together)

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**Advantages:** same as glass-coated beryllium +  
considerably cheaper, with no safety  
implications

**LHCb mirrors (made by CMA, US):**

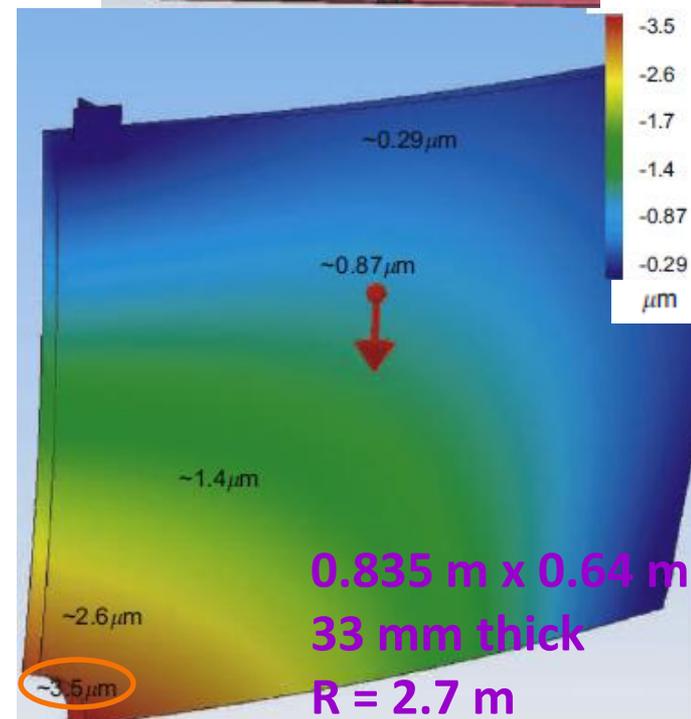
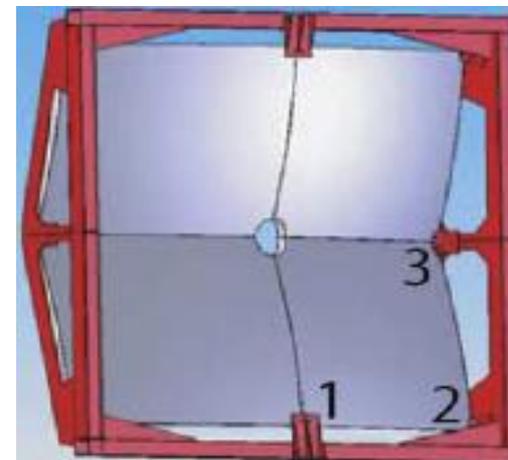
- sandwich honeycomb structure: two outer CFRP layers (1.5 mm) + core cells in-between as reinforcement
- reflectivity with Al + MgF<sub>2</sub> coating: ~90% for  $\lambda > 200$  nm

**May be a good choice for SoLID Cherenkovs**

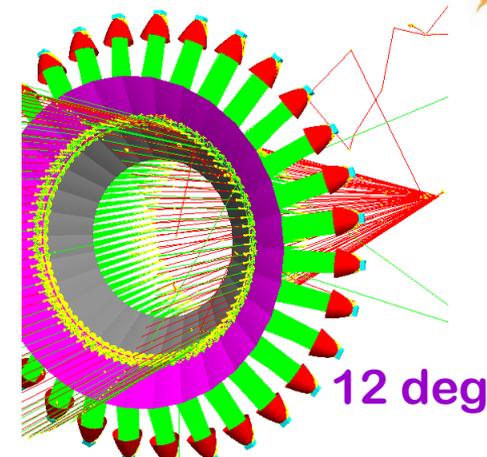
We need to:

- Find best way of supporting CFRP mirrors (Gary)
- Ask CMA (for example) for a quote
- get good reflectivity below 200 nm as well

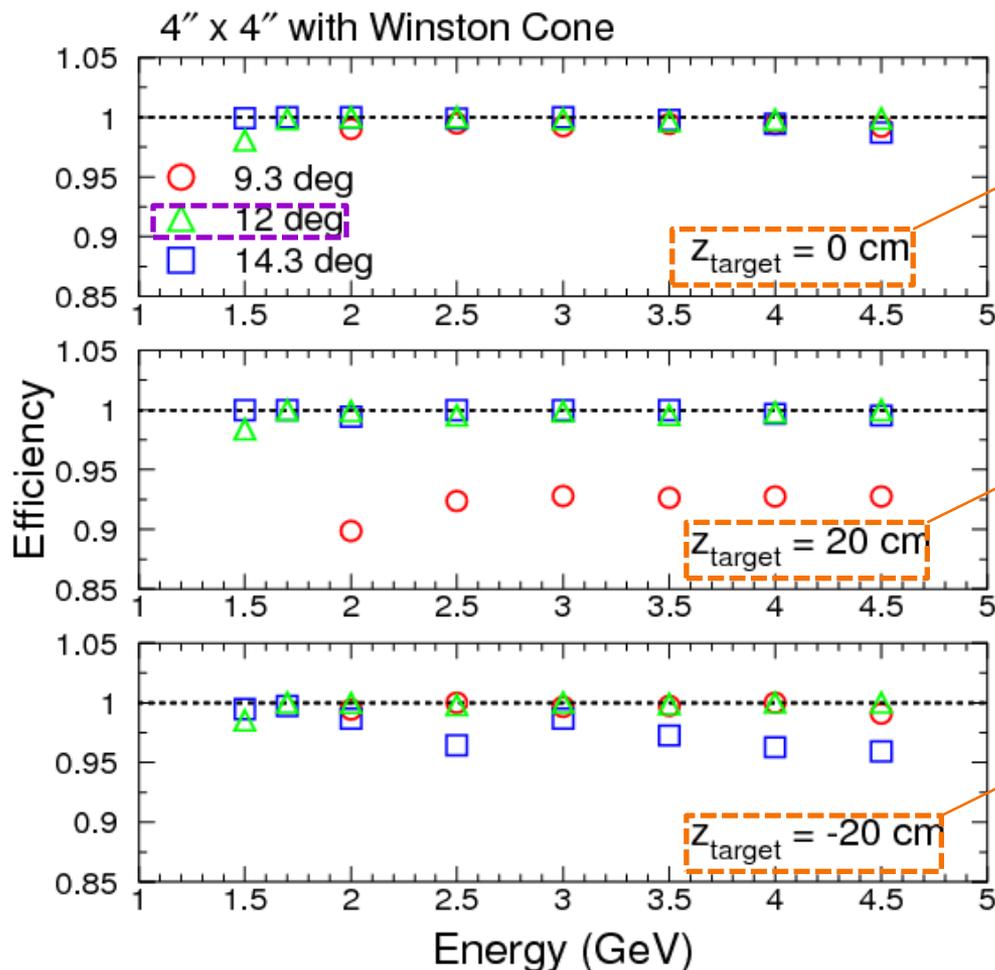
LHCb mirrors



# The Electron Cherenkov (PMTs): Collection Efficiency



➔ Good collection efficiency with 4 PMTs per sector + no support between the 2 mirror rings



Over 98% regardless of the kinematics

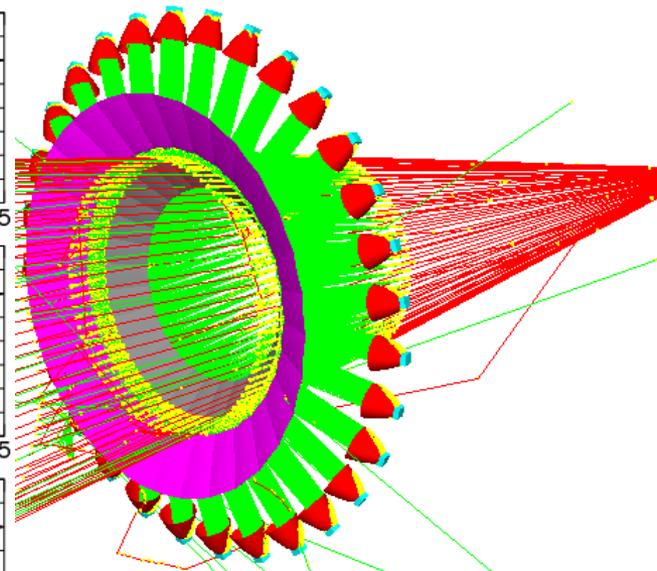
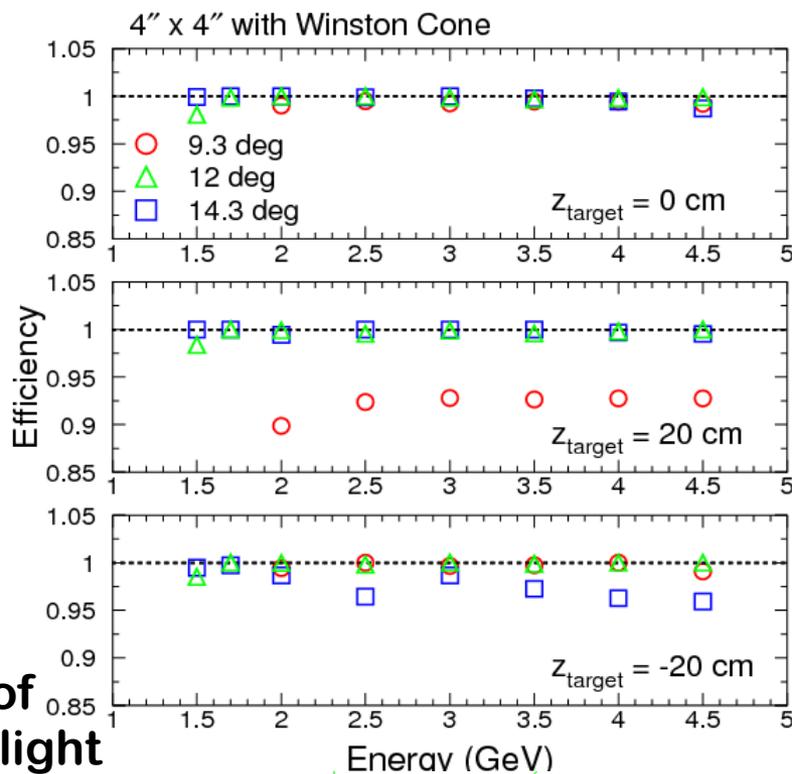
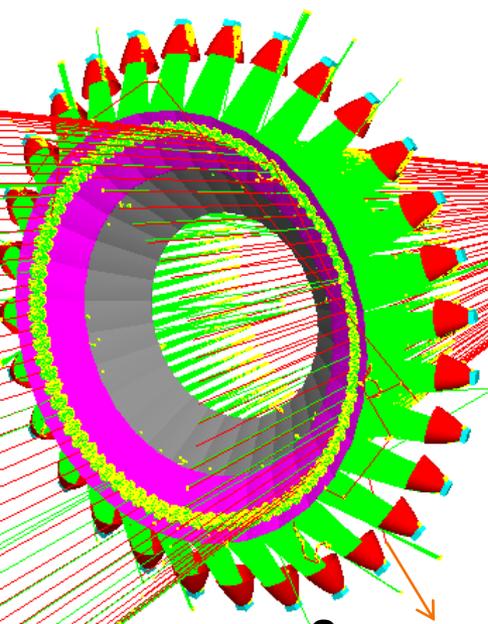
Over 98% at most kinematics; ~90% at the lowest polar angle

Over 98% at most kinematics; over 95% at the highest polar angle

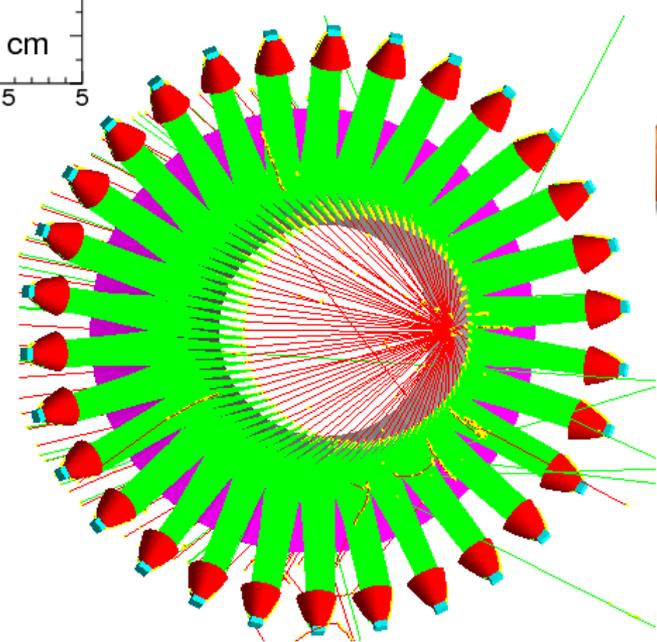
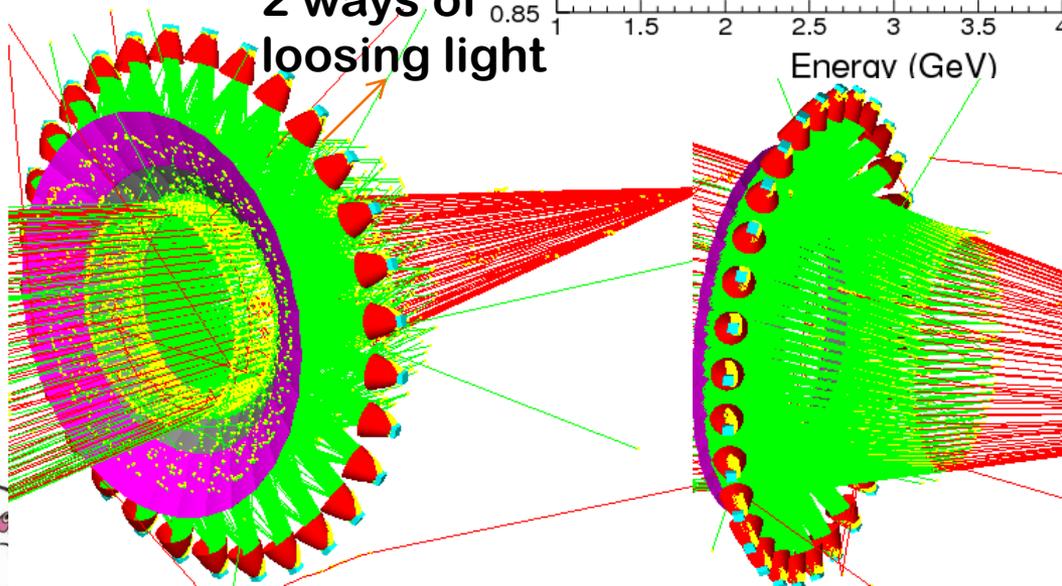


# The Electron Cherenkov (PMTs): Focusing

## Examples



2 ways of losing light

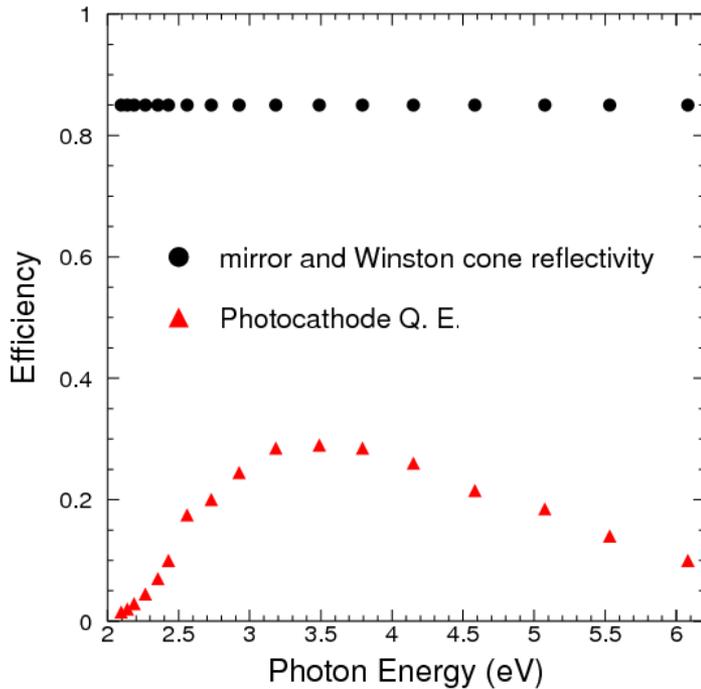


# The Electron Cherenkov (PMTs): Signal

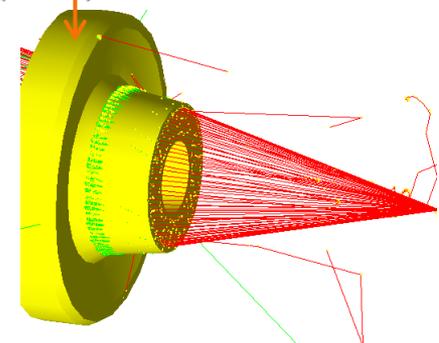
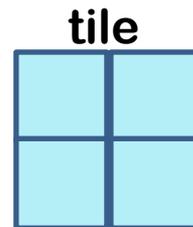
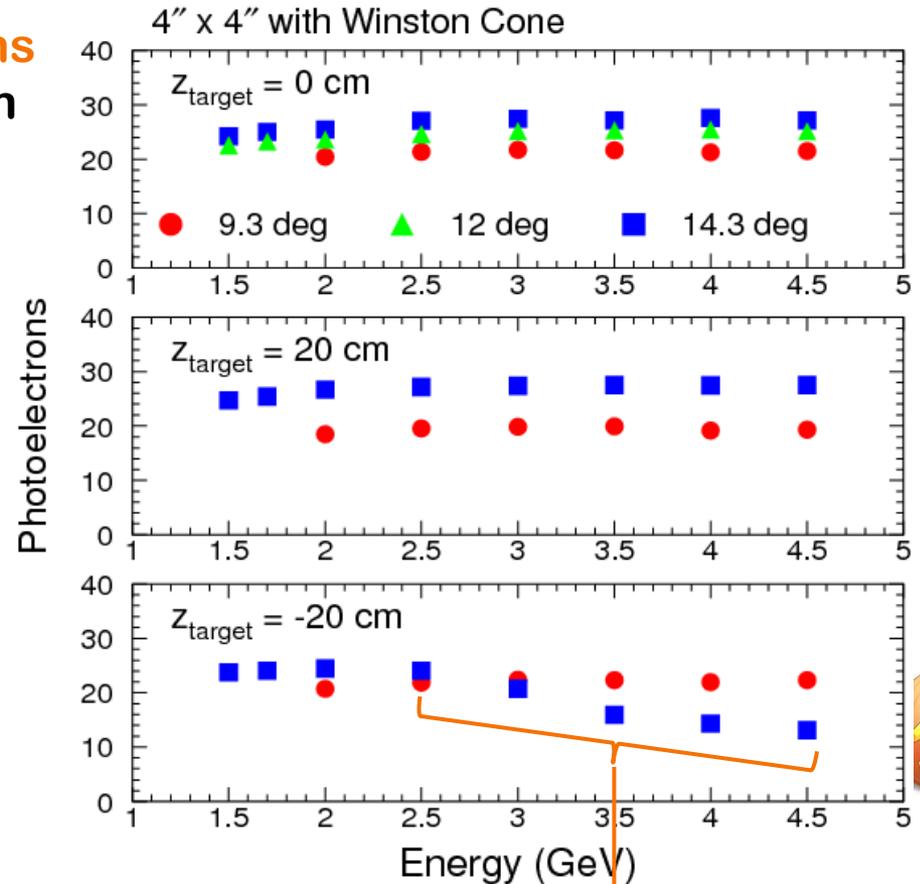


→ Estimates include:

- wavelength dependent corrections (Q.E. of H8500C-03 + mirror/Winston cone reflectivity)
- effect of PMT window (Eric implemented that)



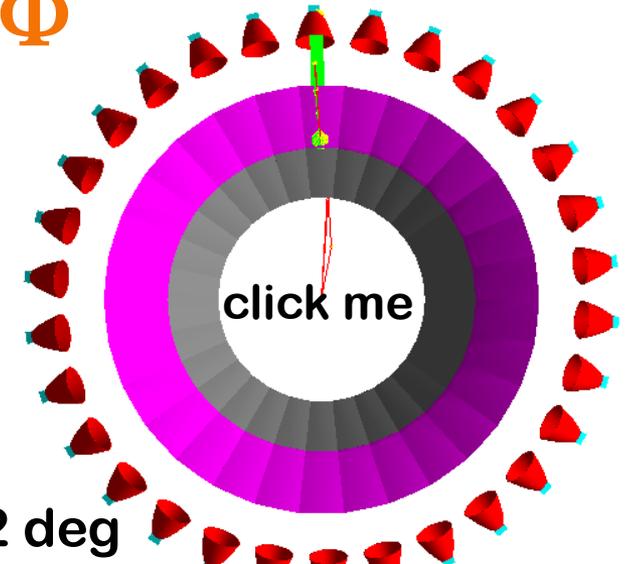
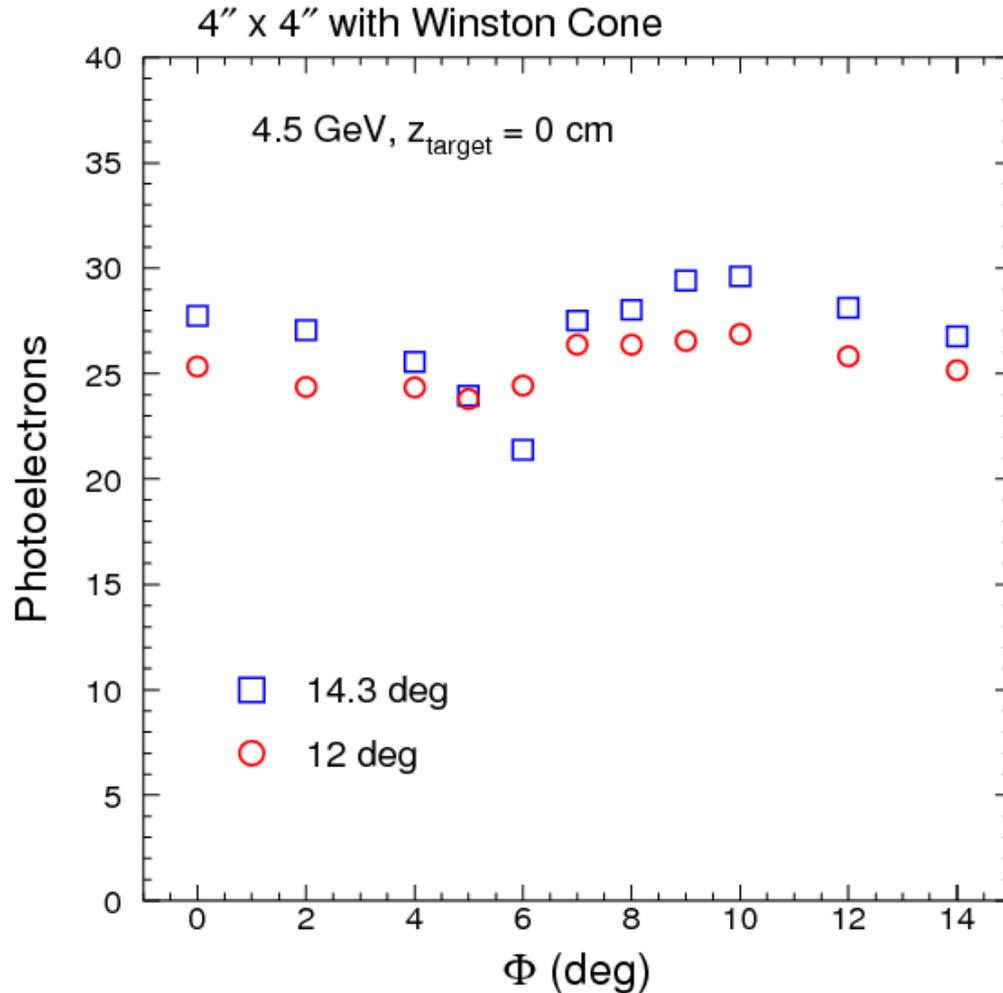
→ additional overall reduction of 0.7 (accounts for dead zone that result from tiling +...)



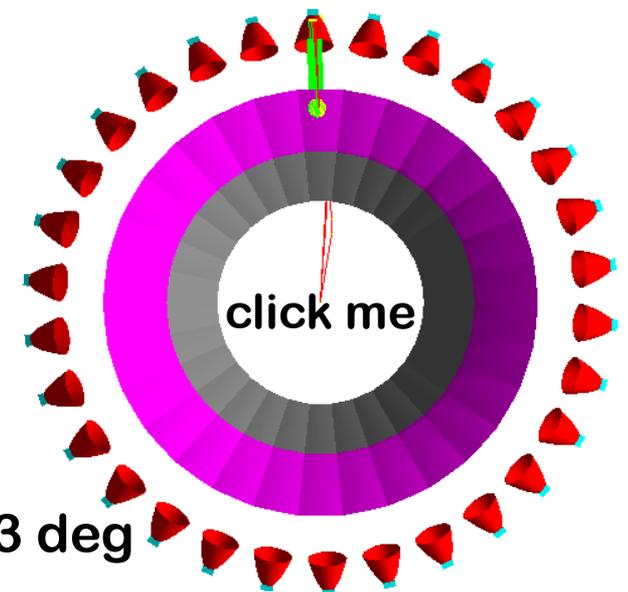
# The Electron Cherenkov (PMTs): Performance vs. $\Phi$



➔ Fairly small effect at the “edge” of angular acceptance



12 deg



14.3 deg

# H8500C-03 in SoLID Magnetic Field

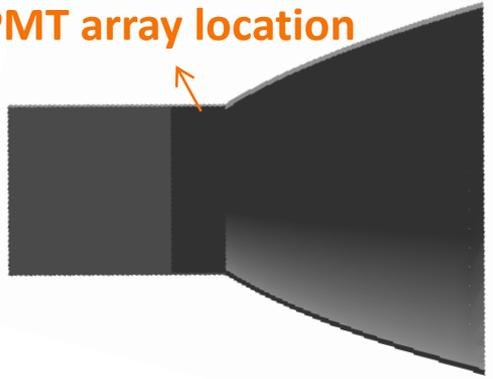


- ➔ From H8500C field tests at Temple U.
  - ➔ at 20 G (longitudinal field): < 10% signal loss
  - ➔ at 70 G: 30%

Request sent to Amuneal for “ideal” shield which will incorporate the Winston cones

- longitudinal component of the magnetic field from 150 G to < 20 G
- transverse component of the magnetic field from 70 G to 0 G

Dark area inside the shield = PMT array location



Estimates based on BaBar v4 field map

Ideal could be higher though (< 50 G)



Amuneal:

➔ possible with a 2 layer shield

- ➔ inner: Amumetal 0.04”
- ➔ outer: 1008 carbon steel 1/8”
- ➔ mylar in between 0.062”

➔ Winston cone substantially more expensive than straight cone (\$1350 per cone)

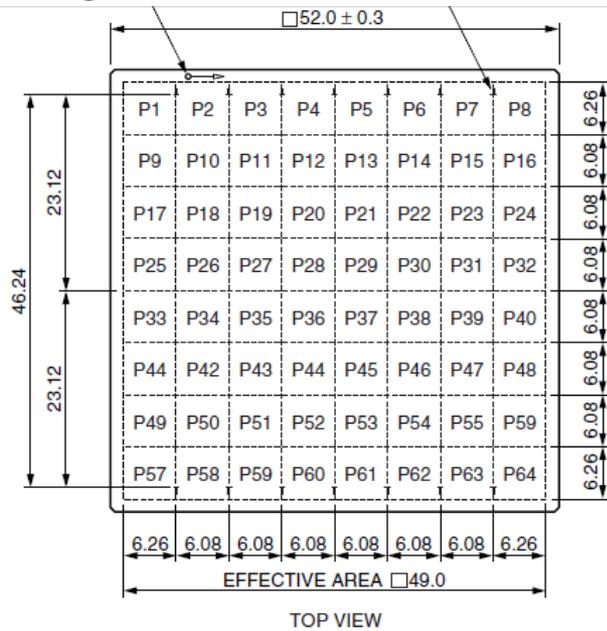
Need to check with simulation if we could use straight cones



# H8500C-03: Tentative Plan for Test in Hall A

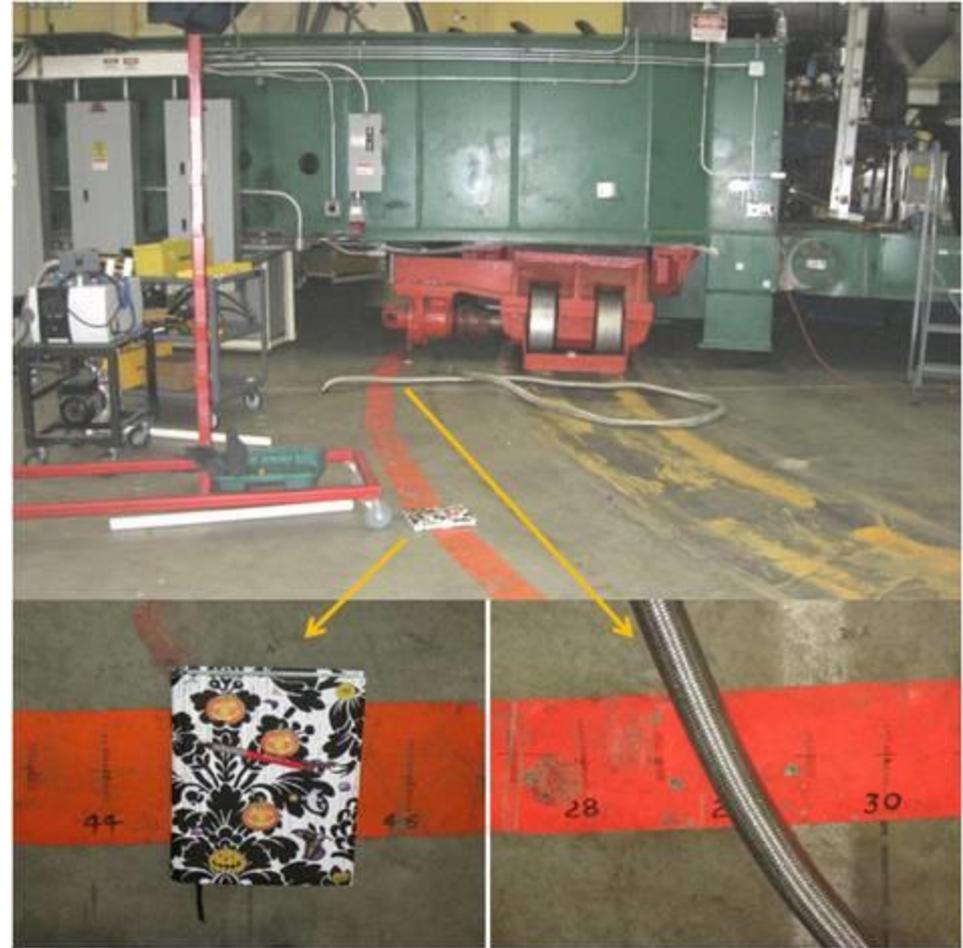


➔ Background on PMT window of concern



➔ sum over all anodes would be fine but we could also take advantage of the pixeling and use coincidence between pixels to “cut” background

➔ would like to test this approach during  $g_2^p$



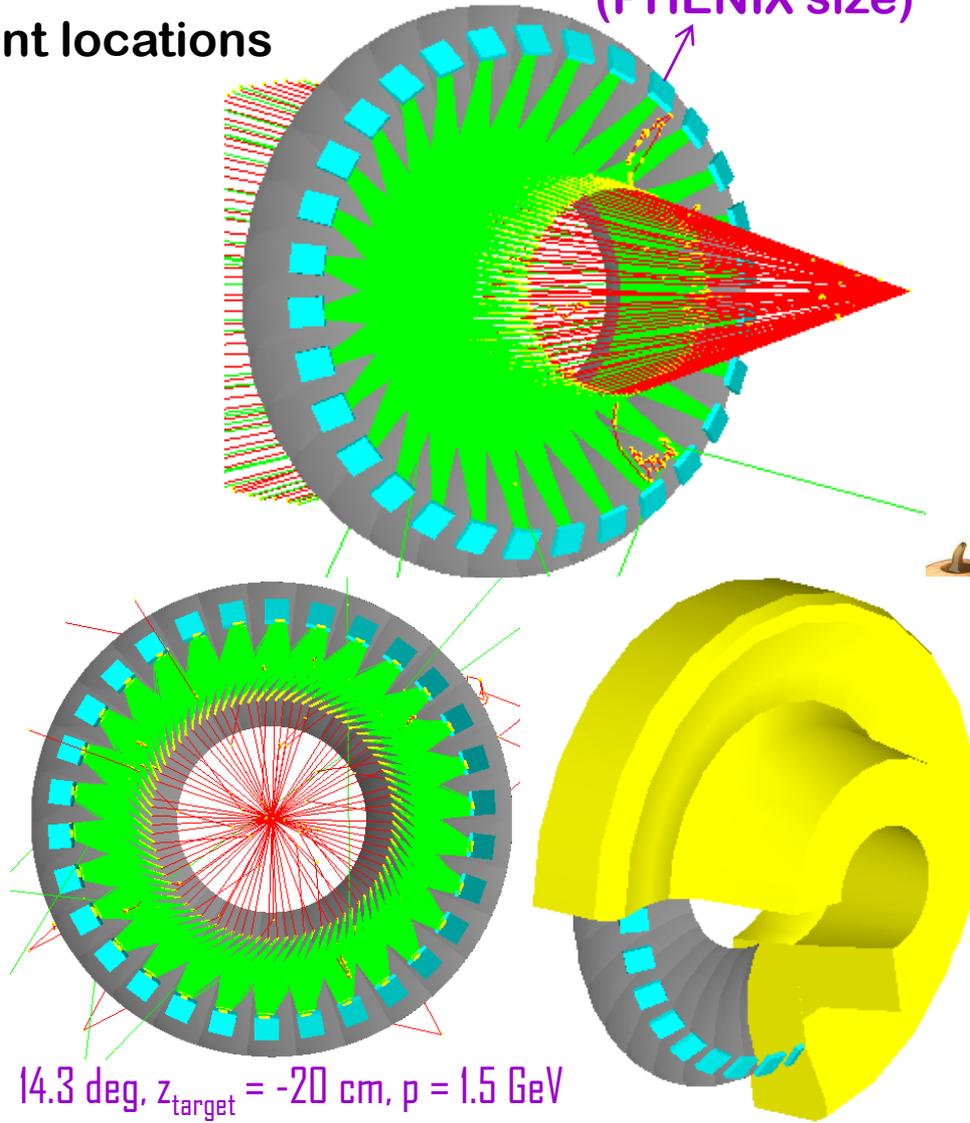
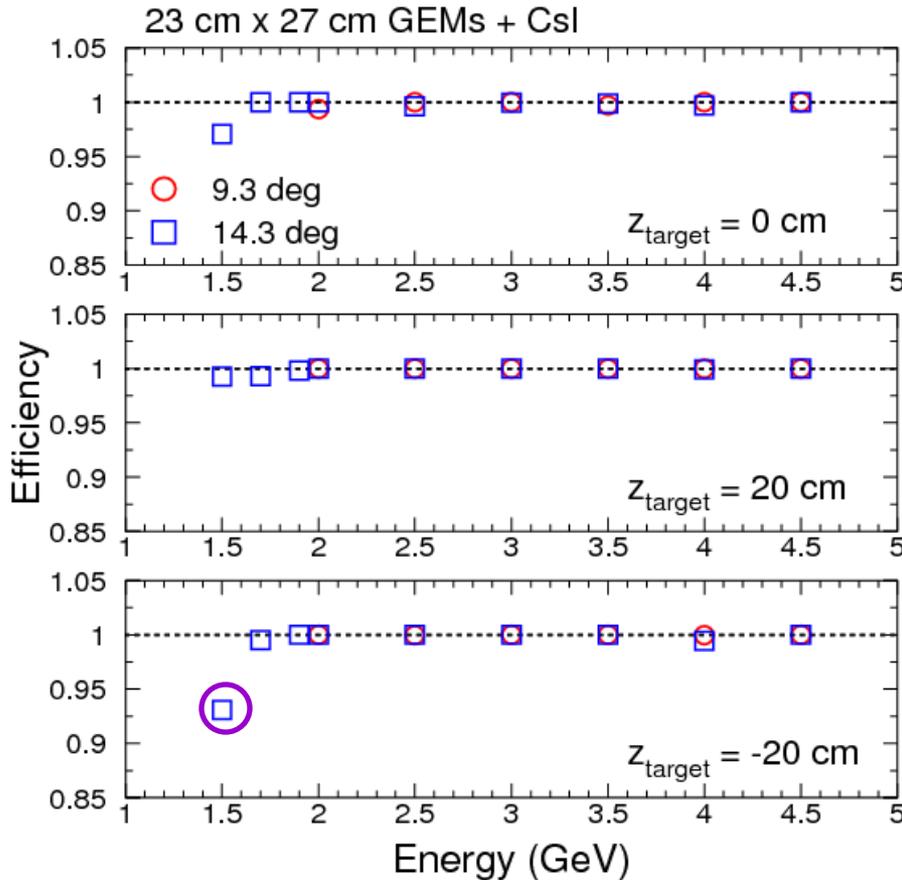
Place the PMT in a dark box with some shielding somewhere between 29 and 45 deg

# The Electron Cherenkov (GEMs+CsI): Design

➔ Very similar configuration possible for SIDIS and PVDIS

- same tank except for additional piece for SIDIS
- same mirrors, mounted at the same location
- same GEMs + CsI, mounted at different locations
- same gas:  $\text{CF}_4$

23 cm X 27 cm  
(PHENIX size)



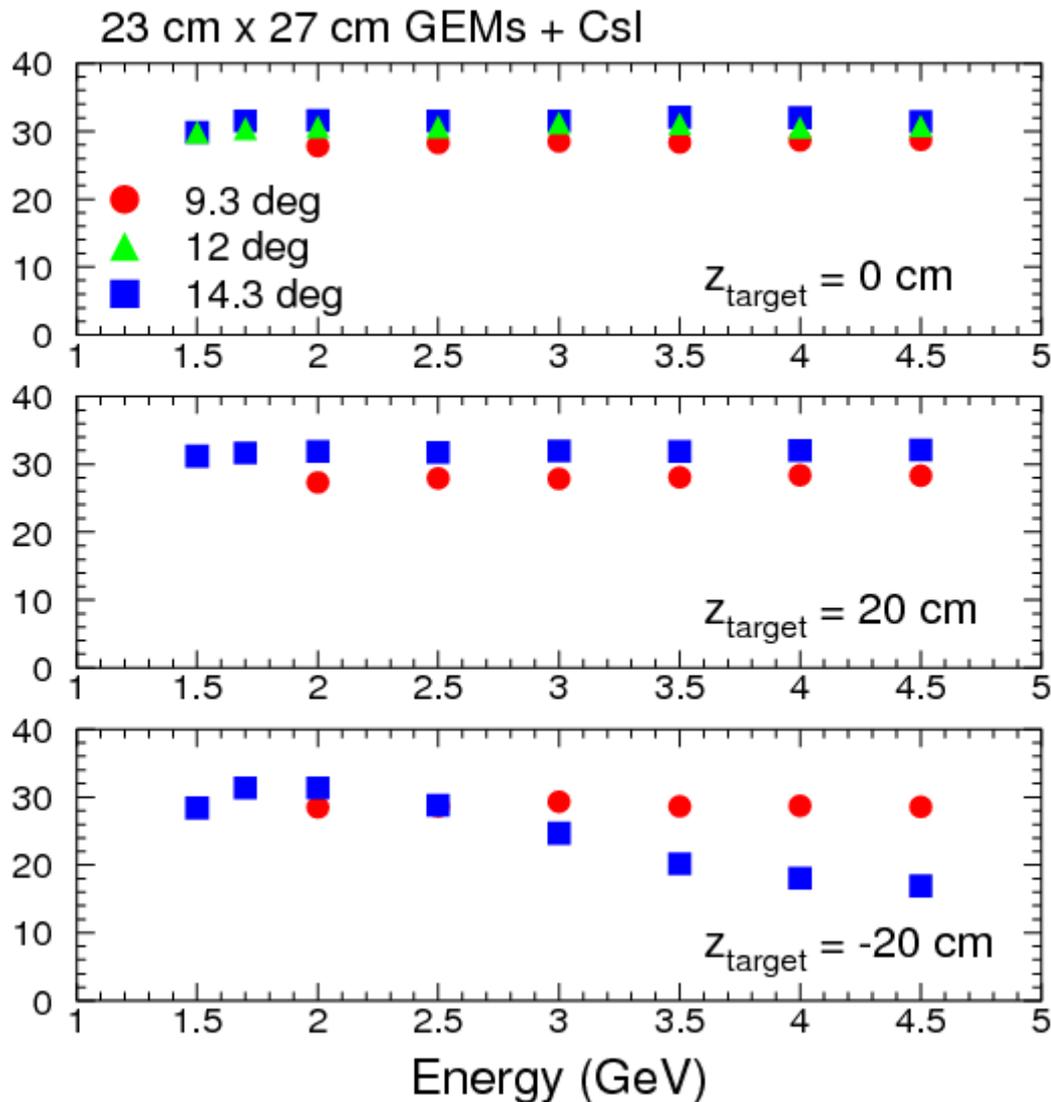
Not cost efficient to make mirrors of different curvatures

14.3 deg,  $Z_{\text{target}} = -20 \text{ cm}$ ,  $p = 1.5 \text{ GeV}$

# The Electron Cherenkov (GEMs+CsI): Signal



Photoelectrons



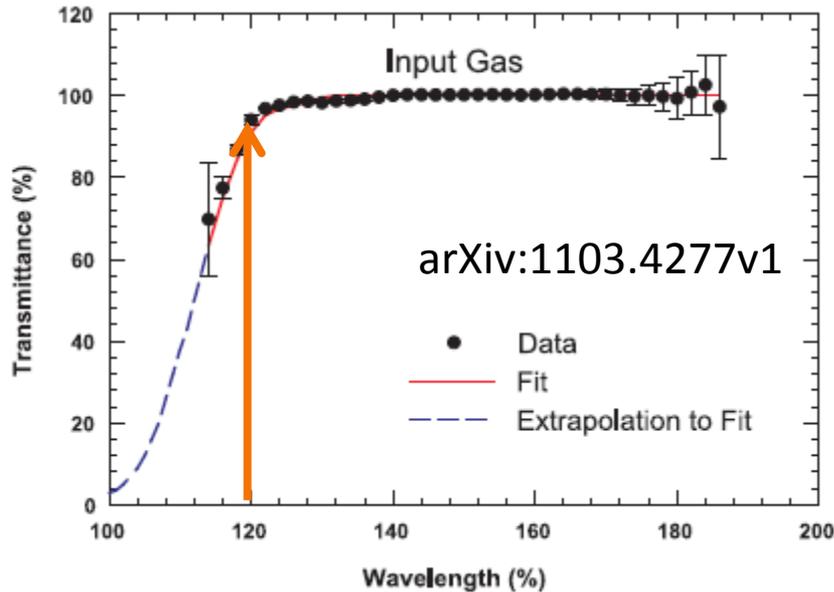
Takes into account  
wavelength dependent  
corrections (mirrors  
reflectivity, gas absorption,  
Q.E. of CsI)

+

an additional multiplicative  
correction of 0.5 – the  
PHENIX factor - (optical  
transparency of mesh and  
photocathode, radiator  
gas transparency,  
transport efficiency etc.)

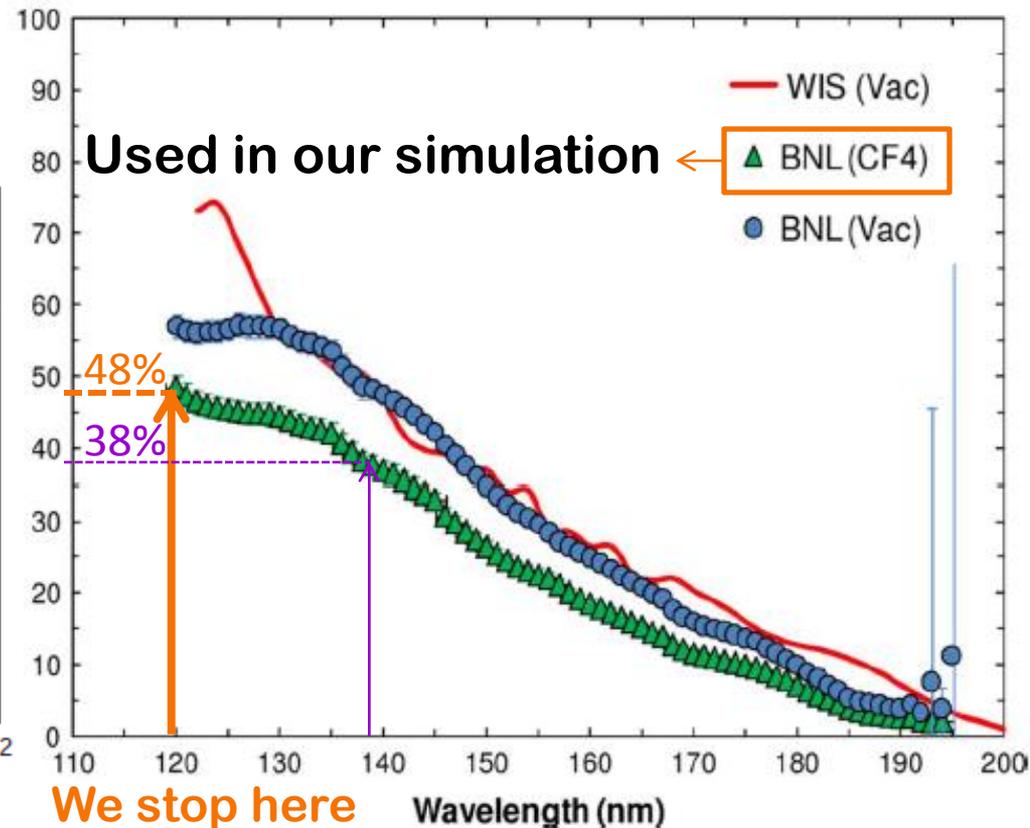
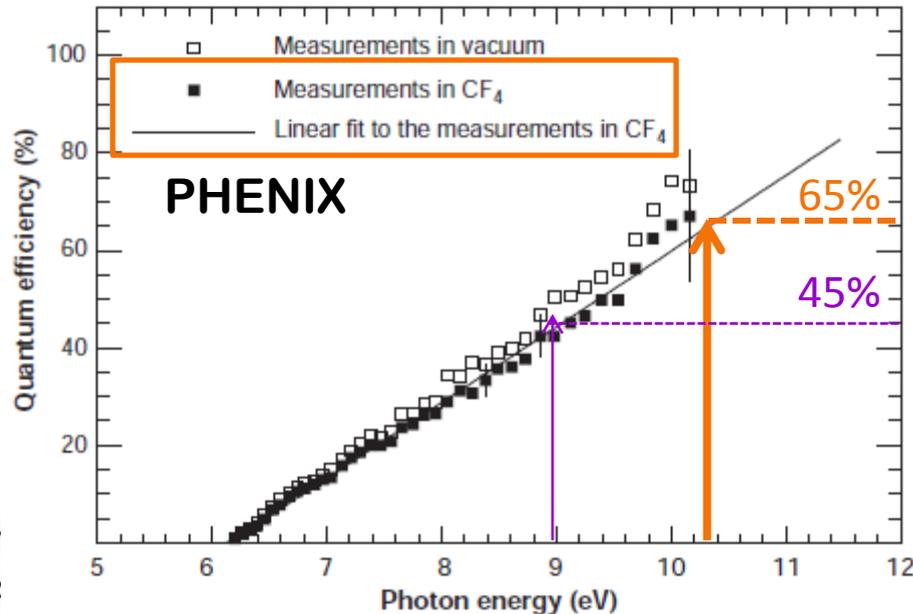


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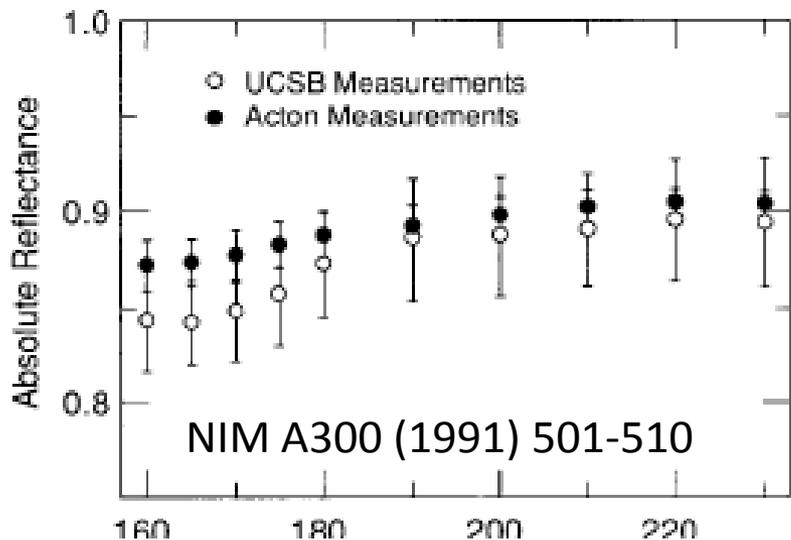


➔ Wavelength-dependent corrections: CsI Q.E. + gas transparency

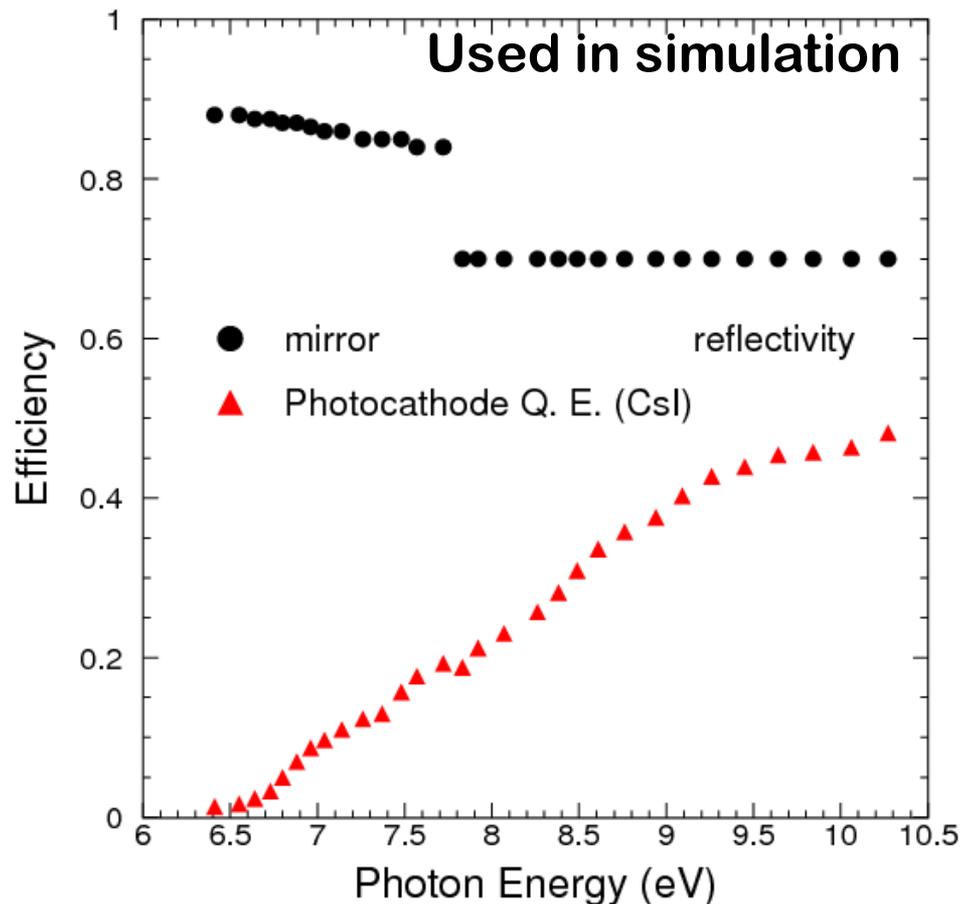
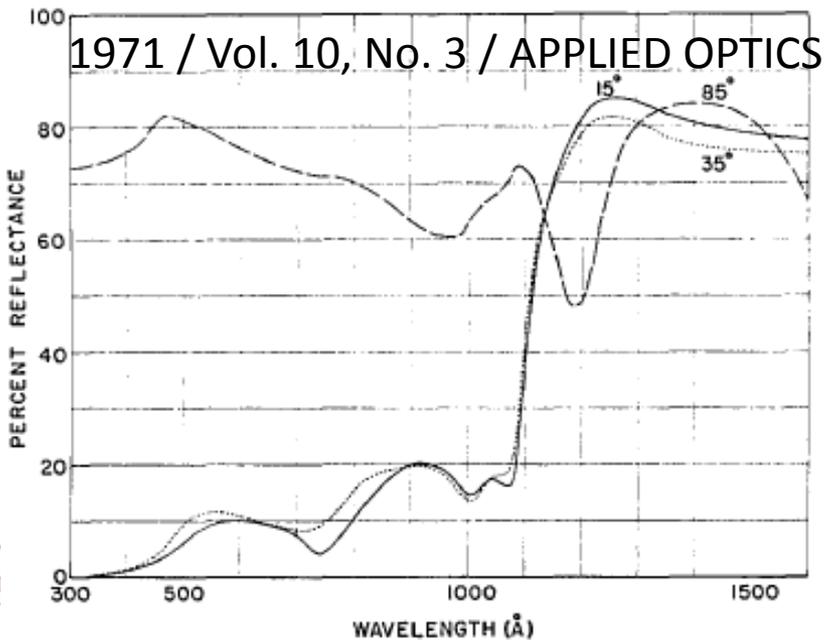
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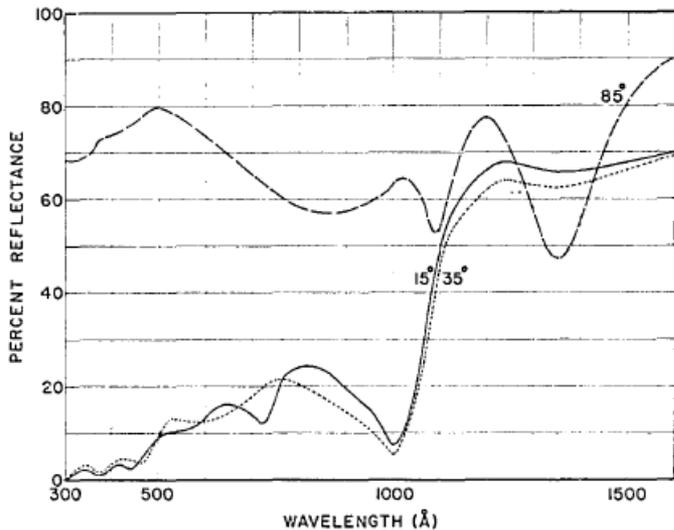
# The Electron Cherenkov (GEMs+CsI): Mirror Reflectivity in far UV



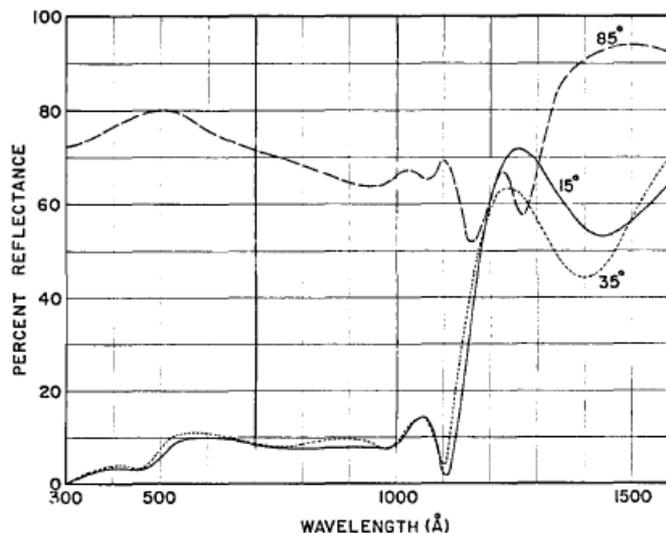
➔ Wavelength-dependent corrections: mirror reflectivity



# Mirrors Reflectivity in far UV

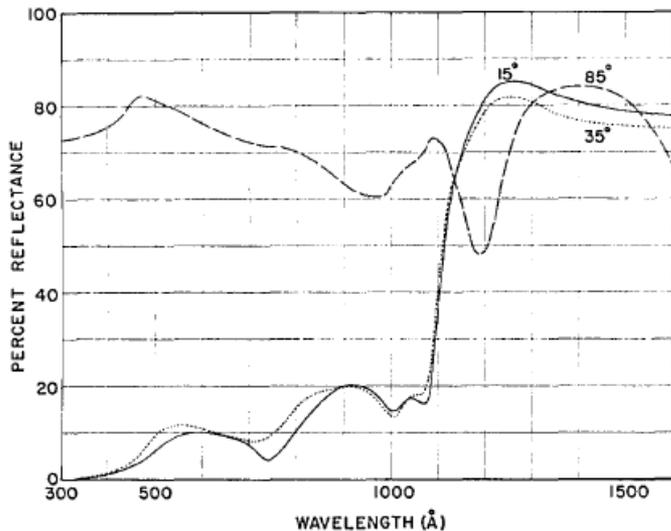


Measured reflectance of an Al + MgF<sub>2</sub> mirror from 300 Å to 1500 Å. The MgF<sub>2</sub> thickness is **150 Å**.

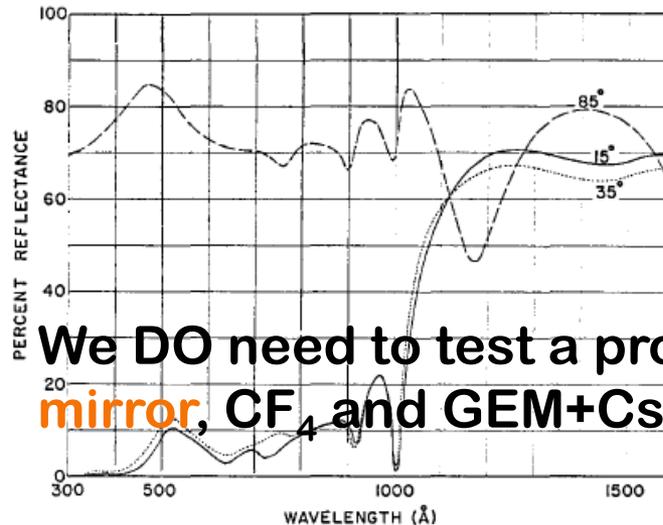


Measured reflectance of an Al + MgF<sub>2</sub> mirror from 310 Å to 1600 Å. The MgF<sub>2</sub> thickness is **620 Å**.

Depends on angle of incidence and thickness of protective layer



Measured reflectance of an Al + **MgF<sub>2</sub>** mirror from 300 Å to 1600 Å. The MgF<sub>2</sub> thickness is 250 Å.



We DO need to test a prototype with **mirror, CF<sub>4</sub>** and **GEM+CsI** (see Eric's talk)

Measured reflectance of an Al + **LiF** mirror from 300 Å to 1600 Å. The LiF thickness is 250 Å.

Depends on protective layer material

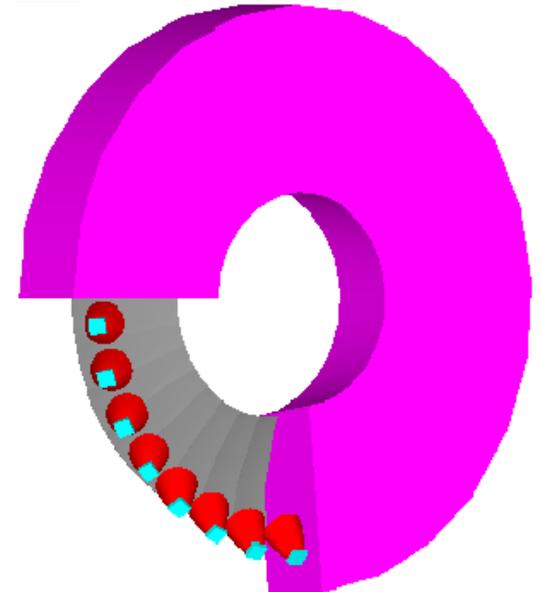
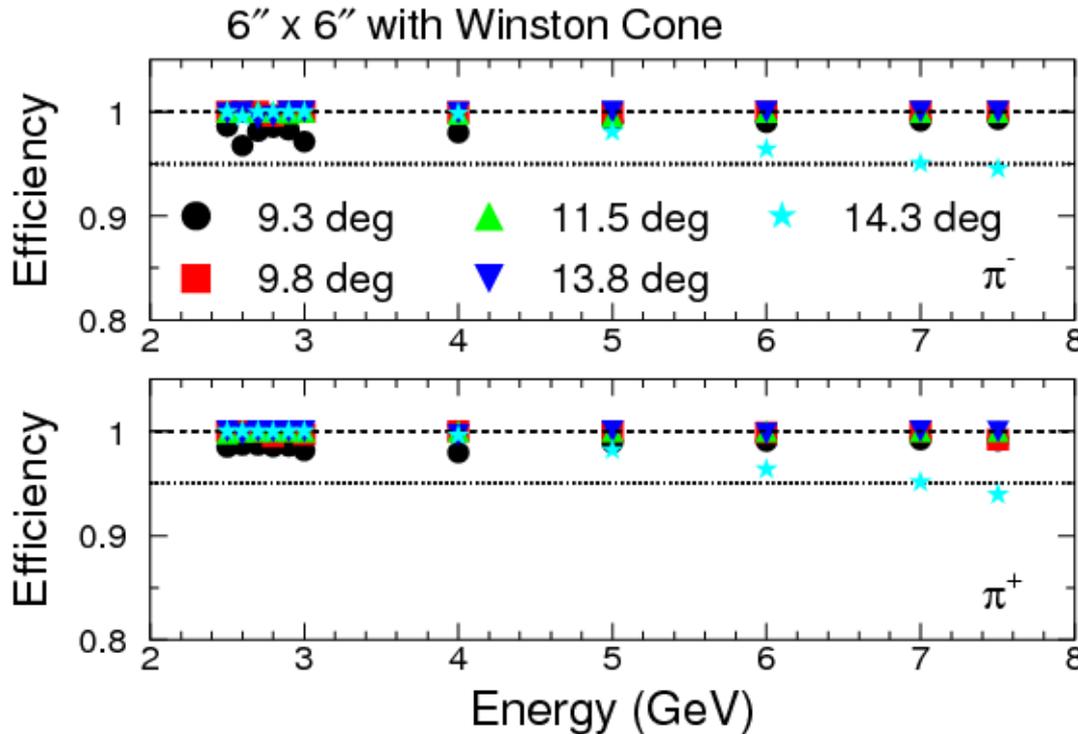
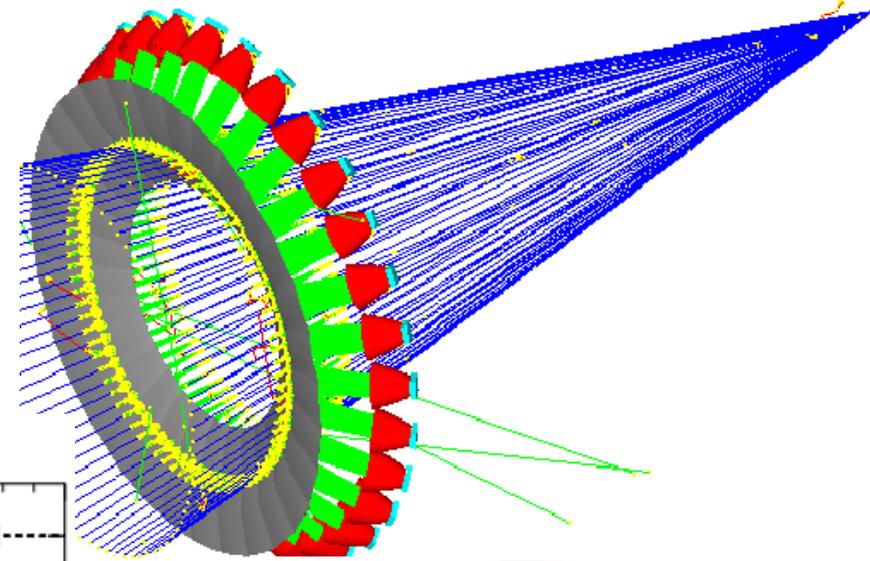


# The Pion Cherenkov (PMTs): Design

➔ Similar design as for electron Cherenkov, the PMT option

- gas:  $C_4F_8O$

➔ Before we knew we have to split the mirrors: very good collection efficiency with one mirror and 9 2" PMTs per sector



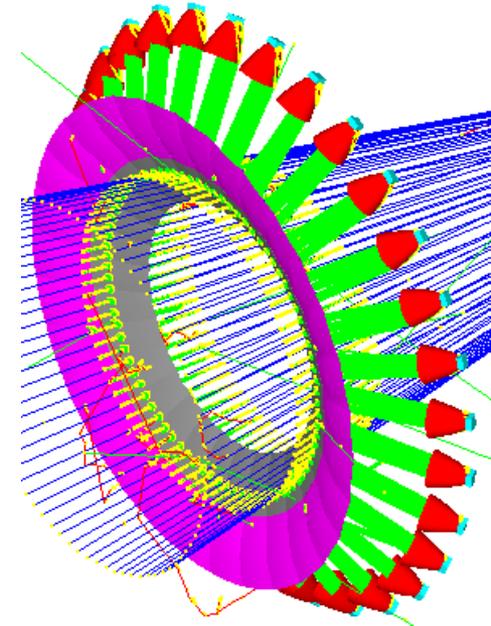
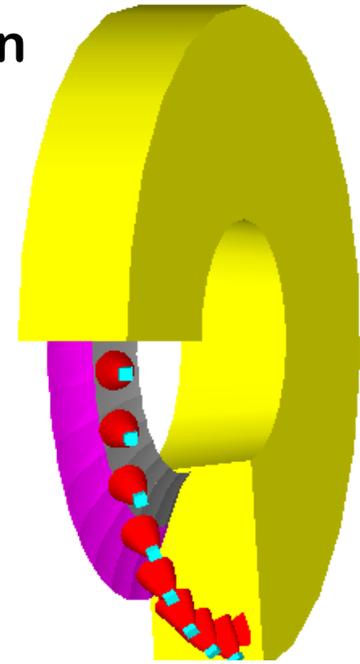
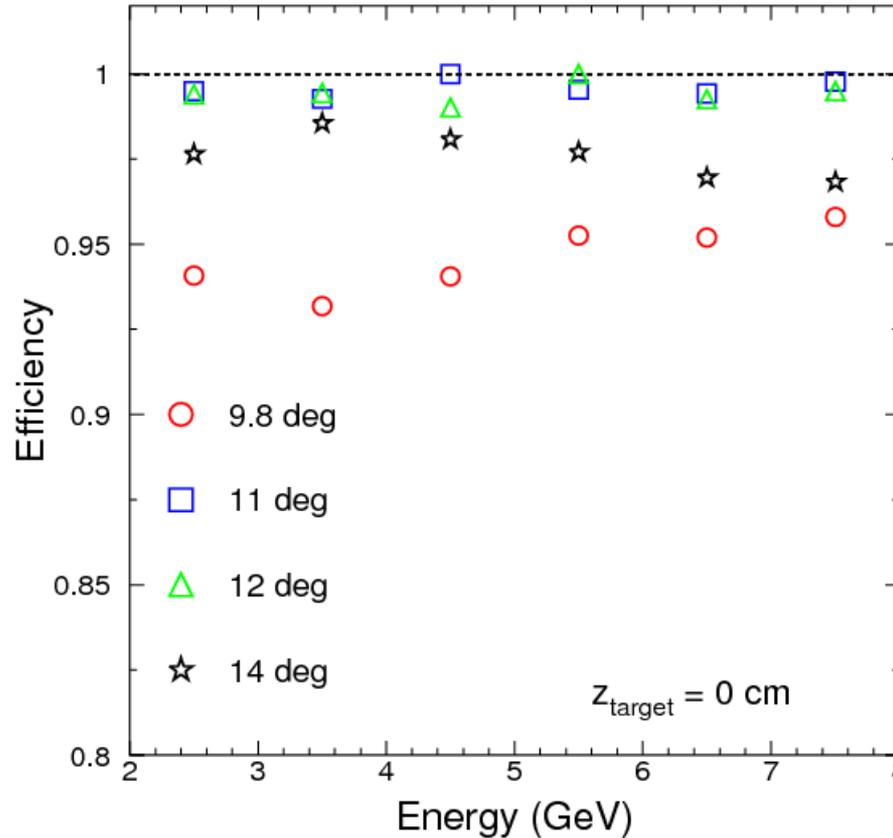
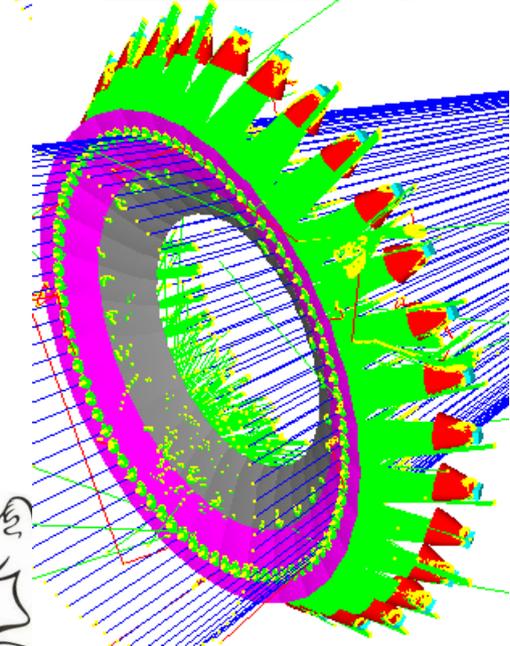
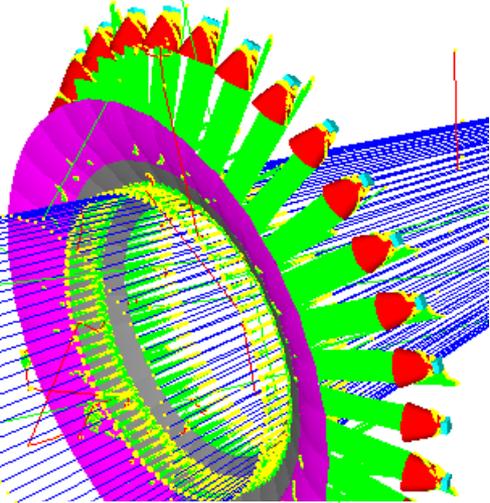
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➔ We split the mirrors (different curvature) + went to 4 PMTs per sector



Work in progress

# Summary



## Simulation and design: iterate!

- “finalize” the Cherenkovs design
- switch to CLEO when available and re-optimize
- migrate to GEMC
- ...

## Tests:

- test H8500C-03 during  $g_2^p$
- test GEMs + CsI prototype during  $g_2^p$ : see next talk for details
- ...

