Light Gas Cherenkov Detector for SoLID

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 - 1 to 5 GeV
 - ~7 to 15 deg

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- PVDIS
 - 2 to 4 GeV
 - 22 to 35 deg
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 - Additional Gems

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LGC geometric / material characteristics

• Cherenkov is designed to maximize component use between the two configurations.





- 30 sectors (defined by baffle segmentation)
 - 2 spherical mirrors per sector (60 mirrors total)
- Blanks are Carbon Fiber Reinforced Polymer [CFRP] (Same as • LHCb RICH)
 - Areal density < 6 kg/m² —
 - Reflective coating provided by Stony Brook (AI / MgF₂)
 - Total reflective area per mirror is roughly 0.3 m² Common



Mirrors

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Magnet housing

LGC



Snout Assembly

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- Six total internal support struts are designed to avoid interference with optical photon collection.





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- PMT assembly is:
 - 3 x 3 array of Hamamatsu H8500C-03 maPMTS
 - 64 pixel PMT array for each H8500C
 - Average QE ~ 15%
 - 2" by 2" per H8500C-03







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- PMT assembly is:
 - 3 x 3 array of Hamamatsu H8500C-03 maPMTS
 - Reflective cone
 - Standard glass cone
 - 30cm tall, inner radius = 7.6cm, outer radius = 21cm, ~0.5cm thick.
 - polished and coated to maintain a reflectivity > 80%.



Model representation. Approximate size of reflective cone

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Simulation for pi rejection

• Event generation:

- Electrons from electron generator eicRate.
- Pions from eicRate (Wiser)
- Uniformly distributed along target length.
- Propagate tracks out of target to LGC window
 - All interactions are handled by GEMC / Geant4
 - All materials from SoLID design are included in the transport.
 - CLEO magnetic field map is used.
- Simulate Cherenkov radiation through gas and collect optical photons.
 - Collection is recorded at the PMT on a p.e. per pixel level.
 - QE as a function of photon energy is taken into account.
 - Pion triggers below Cherenkov threshold are primarily from delta rays.

Total Collection Efficiency for Electrons

- Calculated as # optical photons detected at PMT divided by # of reflections from spherical mirrors. Includes:
 - Reflection efficiencies

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- Quantum efficiency (dominant)
- Geometrical acceptance







Pion / electron signal

• Sample of collected PE signal:

(This MC is for track momentum below pion radiation threshold)

- Three settings possible pion rejection setting shown:
 - Nominal
 - Best compromise between electron efficiency and pion rejection.
 - 0.9 Nominal
 - Electron efficiency now 90% of nominal above.
 - 0.8 Nominal
 - Electron efficiency no 80% of nominal above







Secondary backgrounds

- All pion rejection shown on previous slides only considers the primary source of pion contamination from charged pion production at the beam / target nucleon vertex (via Wiser)
- Other sources of background come from secondary particle production.
 - Secondary background simulation is done by putting an 11 GeV electron beam on target in GEMC / Geant4.
 - 200M events are simulated per "pass" on the ifarm.
 - This equates to 0.64 micro-seconds of beam.
 - Geant4 physics list QGSP_BERT controls all EM / hadronic reactions.

 High luminosity + large acceptance = large rates

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- High rates can be handled, but care must be taken!
- Total rate through the LGC window for PVDIS.
 - Integrated over all momentums.



- Rate through the LGC window.
 - Only cherenkov radiation candidates.

Energies > LGC threshold

- (10 MeV gamma/electrons)
- (3 GeV pions)
- (2.4 GeV muons)
- (11 GeV kaons)



- Where does the majority of the electromagnetic radiation come from?:
 - pi0's!
 - Geant4 physics lists and Wiser predictions give very different rates of pi0 production at SoLID momentums and angles.



Comparison between Wiser and Geant4



All momentums

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Momentums greater than radiation threshold

What estimate to use?

- Which estimate is best?
 - Geant4 likely underestimates rate.
 - Wiser likely overestimates rate.
- Further testing (and comparison to experimental results) is needed.

What effect does this have on the LGC rate (PVDIS)?

- For a trigger with 2 photoelectrons in 2 different PMTs in a given sector:
 - Geant4 rate: ~ 1-2 Mhz/sector (Within DAQ capabilities)
 - Wiser rate: ~ 5-6 Mhz/sector (Pushing DAQ)

What effect does this have on the LGC rate (SIDIS)?

- The SIDIS rate is much more manageable:
 - Wiser rates are in the 10's of kHz/sector



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• Wavelength shifter for PMTs:

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 Temple is currently coating and testing the clas12 LGCC PMTs with p-Terphenyl.



Coating apparatus

Face plate coating:

Before and after



Wavelength shifting gains



Continuing Improvements: PE pattern analysis



- Pattern of photoelectron signal could be recorded (binary signal per pixel) with a MAROC chip.
- Binary output together with pattern recognition could provide limited tracking information.
 - Possibly useful for background suppression or better pion rejection.

Prototyping

- 1st stage (Pre-R&D)
 - maPMT / DAQ testing
 - small Cherenkov tank
 - With electron source \rightarrow test more realistic PMT response.
 - Ideally with a single aluminized / polished CFRP mirror
- 2nd stage (1st 2nd year DOE)
 - Construction of 1/6th of total SoLID detector.
 - 5 combined sectors → to be used in final detector.
 - Prototype 1/6th size tank.









Conclusion

- The SoLID LGC is designed to meet the requirements of the SIDIS and PVDIS experimental programs while maximizing inter-component use (minimizing cost).
- Extensive GEMC / Geant4 simulations have been performed testing signal, backgrounds, and pion rejection.
- Continuing efforts to study (and reduce) simulated EM / hadronic backgrounds.
- Wavelength shifting and PMT pixel pattern analysis are being investigated and may lead to even better LGC performance.











PVDIS



SIDIS



Trigger Efficiencies



PMT in Magnetic Field









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