FARICH option for the PID system of the Super C-Tau Factory project.



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The SCT experiment

- Super charm-tau factory is e+e- collider, dedicated to precision study of properties of charm-quark, τlepton, study of strong interactions, search of BSM physics
 - Beam energy from 1.5 (1.0) to 3.5 GeV
 - Luminosity $\mathcal{L} = 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ @ 2 GeV
 - Longitudinal polarization of the e^- beams
- Experiments will be conducted using state-of- the-art general purpose detector
 - Tracking (including low p_t)
 - Calorimetry (high resolution, fast, π^0/γ sep.)
 - PID system:
 - $\pi/_{K}$ separation up to 3.5 GeV/c
 - μ/π separation up to 1.5 GeV/c



The SCT energy range

$$R \equiv \frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \to \text{hadrons})}{\sigma_0(e^+e^- \to \mu^+\mu^-)}$$

Threshold production of nonrelativistic particles provides best conditions for their comprehensive study



SCT Physics in a nutshell





On some accelerator R&Ds progress

"Reliable" parameters of the collider

E(MeV)	1500	2000	2500	3000	3500	
Π (m)	935.874					
F _{RF} (MHz)	350					
2θ (mrad)	60					
eta_x^*/eta_y^* (mm)	100/1					
$\varepsilon_y/\varepsilon_x$ (%)	10	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	
I(A) / N _b	2.9 / 941	1.64 / 983	2.5 / 983	2.7 / 983	2.9 / 974	
$N_{e/bunch} \times 10^{-10}$	6	3.25	5	5.3	5.8	
U ₀ (keV)	91	288	504	820	1266	
<i>V_{RF}</i> (k ∨)	750	2000	3000	3900	5000	
ν_s	0.0108	0.0152	0.0166	0.0172	0.018	
δ_{RF} (%)	1.3	1.83	1.97	1.97	1.98	
$\sigma_e \times 10^3$ (SR/IBS+WG)	0.27/0.9	0.36/1.1	0.5/1.2	0.5/1.2	0.6/1.3	
σ_s (mm) (SR/IBS+WG)	3.6/17	4.7/15	6/14	7/14	8/14	
ε_{χ} (nm) (SR/IBS+WG)	2.0/2.9	3.5/3.5	5.5/3.2	7.9/4.1	11/5.7	
$L_{HG} \times 10^{-35} (cm^{-2}s^{-1})$	0.29	0.4	1	1	1	
ξ_x/ξ_y	0.003/0.03	0.002/0.06	0.002/0.08	0.002/0.065	0.002/0.05	
$ au_{Touschek}$ (s)	304	304	302	560	1100	
$ au_{Luminosity}$ (s)	12000	5000	3000	3200	3500	

2022:

Reliable structure of the collider was developed

– Touschek lifetime ~300 s

$$-L = 0.3 \div 1.0 \cdot 10^{35} cm^{-2} s^{-1}$$

-It is necessary to check IBS and beam-beam effects with help of simulation

 Possibility of prototyping is considered now

Final Focus lens prototyping



Concept design of SC FF lens Direct Double Helical (DDH) technology 2 concentric coil at 2 cylinders

2022:

- Cryogenic system for FF lens is designed
- Project of SC FF lenses:
 - Compensated coil
 - Screen coil
 - SC coils production technology
 - Thermal loads calculation
 - Safety system
 - Coil holders calculation
 - Magnetic fields of FF lens calculation
 - First prototype of FF lens is under production
 - Testbench for magnetic measurements with FF lens is prepared
- Procedure of mechanical uncertainties measurements with high accuracy (~50 мкм) for FF lens assemblage is considered

Production and magnetic tests are expected until the end of 2023

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Electron RF gun

Transverse Emittance

On some detector R&Ds progress

Detector concept

TPC with readout based on GEM

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TPC-GEM

- IT prototype based on TPC-GEM project:
 - Investigate different gas mixtures
 - Test various MPGD options for readout (GEM + muRWELL or GEM + Thick RWELL),
 - To compare different options of RO electronics
- Some nodes of prototype still are under production
- Dependence of spatial resolution on RO structure pixel size is investigated with help of calculations. Optimal pixel size for several gas mixtures is 0.7÷1.0 mm.

Drift Chamber with hexogonal cells

Characte-	Detector					
ristics CLEOIII		BaBar BESIII		BelleII	SCTF	
B,T	1.5	1.5	1.0	1.5	1.5	
N _{cells}	9796	7104	6796	14336	10903	
Shape	Square	Hex.	Square	Square	Hex.	
Anode wire d, mkm	W 20	W 20	W 25	W 30	W-Re(3 %) 25	
Field wire d, mkm	Al 110	AI 120	Al 110	Al 126	Al 100, 125	
Size mm × mm	14×14	18×12	$\begin{array}{c} 12 \times 12 \\ 16 \times 16 \end{array}$	7×7 10×10	$\sim 14 \times 14$	
Gas	He/C_3H_8	He/iC_4H_{10}	He/C_3H_8	He/C_2H_6	He/C_3H_8	
mixture	60/40	80/20	60/40	50/50	60/40	
V_{anode}, B	1900	1930	2200	2300	~ 2000	
T/D, ns/mm	$\sim 300/7$	$\sim 500/9$	$\sim 350/8$	$\sim 350/8$	$\sim 350/7$	
σ_p/p , $\%$	0.32	0.48	0.5	-	~ 0.35	
$\sigma_{dE/dx}$, $\%$	5.7	7.5	6.0	\sim 6	~ 6.9	
σ , μ m	110	120	120	~ 100	~ 100	

DC prototypes

Small prototype:

- Diameter 70 mm
- Length 300 mm
- 7 hexagonal cells
- Launched in operation in 2022

Large prototype:

- Diameter 278 mm
- Length 2 000 mm
- 3 superlayers: A-UV-A
- 156 hexagonal clls
- Design is developed
- Production in 2023-2024.

Spatial resolution measurements with small prototype

Total resolution

Cluster effect

Full spatial resolution for He/C3H8 mixture

resolution

The spatial resolution comparison for He/C_3H_8 and He/C_2H_6 at $7\cdot 10^4$

 He/C_3H_8 and He/C_2H_6 at the different gas gains

$$\sigma(r) = \sqrt{\sigma_{cl} + \sigma_{dif} + \sigma_{edge} + \sigma_0}$$

 σ_{cl} - cluster effect, σ_{dif} - diffusion component, σ_{edae} - edge effects, σ_0 - constant (contributions from electronics, wire arrangements, pressure, temperature)

For He/C_3H_8 : $ar{\sigma} = 109 \pm 12 \ \mu$ m at $2 \cdot 10^4$ $ar{\sigma} = 100 \pm 8 \ \mu$ m at $3 \cdot 10^4$ $ar{\sigma}=95\pm9~\mu{
m m}$ at $5\cdot10^4$ $\bar{\sigma} = 89 \pm 8 \ \mu$ m at $7 \cdot 10^4$ $ar{\sigma}=87\pm7~\mu{
m m}$ at 10^5

For He/C_2H_6 : $\bar{\sigma} = 99 \pm 6 \ \mu$ m at $5 \cdot 10^4$ $ar{\sigma} = 95 \pm 8 \ \mu$ m at $7 \cdot 10^4$ $\bar{\sigma} = 90 \pm 7 \ \mu$ m at 10^5

Target spatial resolution is achivable in our DC design!!!

Magnetron sputtering setup

Time.

<u>2022:</u>

- Stable procedure of sputtering for Ni, Ag (or Au) 40 μ 50 um at wires (Al) was found:
 - thickness up to 70 нм

• speed – 4 m/min.

- Au spends 10÷15 g/km for 10 nm thick layer, but recycling of some amount of Au is possible
- There are no overheating and mechanical properties changes effects after sputtering process
- The cover provide easy soldering process and suppress SEE from cathode wire surface
- About 600 m Aluminum wires with ø4 um and ø50 um were covered and delivered to Italy to be tested by MEG2 experiment group

Leakage current of cathode wire irradiated by γ from ⁵⁵Fe (E_{cath}=const; E_{an}=var)

Prototype of pureCsl-calorimeter

PMMA with NOL-9

Hamamatsu APD S8664-55

pCsI calorimeter concept

TBeam June 2023 at the BINP:

CBS gammas were used for energy resolution calibration:

- Two laser modes: 527 nm & 1064 nm
- Five beam energies: 1.9, 2.5, 4.5, 4.75 GeV
- Eight CBS edges for calibration: 64, 111, 225, 361, 402, 441, 730, 812 MeV

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pureCsI-calorimeter protype: beam test results

Muon system: scintillator with WLS fibers and SiPMs

Magnetic system

SC cables designed for PANDA

- Several meters were produced and tested ٠
- Technology of long strands (>1 km) production are • under development
- We have enough high purity *Al* for SCTF magnet • production (2x3.5 km & 1x1.5 km of cables)
- The similar cables will be used in SPD (NICA) project. •

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- Design is well done: •
 - Three coils made solenoid

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- Supports, hangs, holder подвесы, cryotubes, ...
- Main calculations are performed •
 - Magnetic fields
 - **Mechanical loads**

Soft Ware for the project

SW is available now for users of BINP clusters and as an image of virtual PC

Aurora Framefork

Release 2.1.0 (December 2022):

- Blocks interaction, system of configuration and linking
- Event generators
- Geometry description (DD4Hep)
- Digitization
- Reconstruction
- Parametric simulation
- Instrumentation (visualization, tests,..)

FARICH – 19 years of R&Ds (since 2004) and only 12 for SCTF project (since 2011)

FARICH technique

The largest 4-layers focusing aerogel samples Aerogel PD Calorimeter Aerogel GEM **GEM** GEM 2 aerogel pcs MaPMT H12700 (Hamamatsu) 230x230x35 mm with mask 3x3 mm² **GEM** Refractive index profile is measured with help of didgital X-ray setup at the BINP. .054 L_{cc}=60 MM \$1.052 1.05 👮 1.048 n₄=1.0465 1.046 1.044 n=1.0432

Single photon Cherenkov angle resolution is investigated with relativistic electrons at BINP beam test facilities "Extracted beams of VEPP-4M complex".

 $\rho_{\rm cp} = 0.199 \ \Gamma /_{\rm CM^3}$

1.042

1.04

25 Thickness of a

n.=1.04

20

15

Beam test results

Cherenkov angle Single Photo-Electron (SPE) resolution

The excellent single photon Cherenkov angle resolution ~7÷8 *mrad* was achieved with the 4-layer focusing aerogel tiles with dimensions 23x23x3.5 cm for the first time in 2022!!!

This circumstance allows us to consider the FARICH detector design based on 4-layer focusing aerogel tiles with large dimensions (23x23x3.5 cm).

FARICH system for the SCTF

- Proximity focusing RICH
- 4-layer focusing aerogel
 - n_{max} = 1.05 (1.07?), total thickness 35 mm
 - $S_{aer} = 15 m^2$
- 21 m² total area of photon detectors
 - SiPMs barrel part (16 m²)
 - MCP-PMT endcap parts (4 m²)
- $\sim 10^6$ pixels 3x3 mm² with pitch 4 mm

GEANT4 simulation of edge effects 10 cm

SHAPE		Aerogel size, mm			
	∆, mm	200	100	75	50
Parallelepiped	6	0.86	0.74	0.62	0.5
Trapezoidal	1	0.96	0.94	0.92	0.9

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FARICH edge effects: simulation & experiment

Photon detector options

Due to axial magnetic field the SiPM is only one possible candidate for the cylindrical part of the FARICH system!!!

For the endacp regions there are three options of photon detectors.

SiPM arrays

- There are several manufacturer in the world including China.
- There is no comercially available SiPM arrays produced in Russia for the moment, but some R&Ds are going now.
- Estimated cost of such detector option is about 100\$/cm²
- It is required to develop and produce special R/O electronics and cooling system to operate with SiPMs in SPD detector conditions

KETEK PA3325-WB-0808 (BroadCom, USA)

MCP-PMT

- There are several manufacturer in the world including China.
- There is no comercially available position-sensitive MCP-PMTs produced in Russia for the moment, but R&Ds are going now in (Baspik&Ekran FEP).
- There is a very large spread of prices for rectangular position-sensitive MCP-PMT. The best price is about 200\$/cm²
- PDE is not so high, it is limited by photoelectron collection efficiency (~60%) and geometrical efficiency is worse than for SiPM option.
- Specialised R/O elctronics is already developed for other experiments and could be adopted for the SPD experiment requirements
- There is no such a big problem with intrinsic noise rejecion in comparison with SiPM option

Planacon XP85112 8x8 pixels with 6x6 mm Cost: 15 *k*\$, 19 Aug. 2023, Hefei

HAPD

- Only Hamamtsu produced such devices for the Belle II experiment and now it doesn't produced anymore!
- There is no comercially available HAPDs in Russia for the moment, but R&Ds are going now in ISP SB RAS.
- Price ???
- Expected PDE of such devices will less than for SiPM option but significantly (1.5 times) higher than for MCP-PMT option.
- Expected gain is about $1\div 2\cdot 10^5$
- Development of specialised R/O elctronics is needed. It is possible to adopt some Belle II ARICH system expirience.

SiPM array option

JARY-TP3050-8×8C DIMENSIONAL OUTLINES

Joinbon Tech., China

PA3325-WB-0808 Dimensions

General Tolerances ± 0.1 mm unless otherwise noted

The connector might be changed without notice, please contact our sales before ordering.

- Endcaps: 2x2490 SiPM arrays 2.7x2.7 cm²
- Barrel: 18 000 SiPM arrays 2.7x2.7 cm²
- -1470.7k pixels with 3x3 mm²
- Geometrical Efficiency $\frac{S_{detect}}{S_{total}} \approx 76 \div 80\%$
- Highly effective cooling sysytem is required!

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Position-sensitive MCP-PMT

HRPPD (Income) 10x10 cm; pixel 2.5x2.5 mm

4x4 pixels with 5x5 mm

Planacon XP85112

Round vs Square MCP-PMT for the RICH

Round vs Square MCP-PMT for the RICH $_{(2)}$

expected FARICH performance

To evaluate expected performance we can use recent FARICH beam test data:

- $N_{pe}^{H12700} \approx 16$
- $CE^{H12700} \approx 0.8 \text{photoelectron collection efficiency } (CE^{MCP} \approx 0.6)$
- $GE^{TB} \approx 0.8$ Geometrical Efficiency of Test Beam setup (GE^{exp} is determined by fill factor of photon detectors for the experimental setup)

$$N_{pe}^{expect} = \frac{N_{pe}^{H12700} \cdot CE^{MCP} \cdot GE^{exp}}{CE^{H12700} \cdot GE^{TB}}$$
Square shape MCP-PMT
• *GE^{exp}* ≈ 0.59
• *N_{pe}^{expect}* = \frac{16 \cdot 0.6 \cdot 0.59}{0.8 \cdot 0.8} ≈ 8.8pe (for \beta = 1)
• $\sigma_{tr}^{\theta} = \frac{\sigma_{SPE}^{\theta}}{\sqrt{N_{pe}}} = \frac{7 + 8 mrad}{\sqrt{8.8}} = 2.3 \div 2.7 mrad$
• $\sigma_{tr}^{\theta} = \frac{\sigma_{SPE}^{\theta}}{\sqrt{N_{pe}}} = \frac{7 + 8 mrad}{\sqrt{8.5}} = 2.4 \div 2.7 mrad$

$$\mu/\pi @ 1 \text{ GeV/c:} \qquad \frac{\theta_{c}^{\mu} - \theta_{c}^{\pi}}{\sigma_{tr}^{\theta}} = \frac{292 - 278}{2.5} = 5.6\sigma$$

$$\pi/K @ 6 \text{ GeV/c:} \qquad \frac{\theta_{c}^{\pi} - \theta_{c}^{\pi}}{\sigma_{tr}^{\theta}} = \frac{309 - 299}{2.5} = 3.9\sigma$$

R/O electronics cost estimation

There are two modern approaches in development of specialised R/O electronics:

- ASIC (Application Specialised Integrated Circuits)
- FPGA (Field Programable Gate Arrays)

The differences in performance, power consumption and costs are not sufficient today!!!

FPG-TDC (GSI)

It was designed and produced by GSI group inspired by experience with DiRICH board. One module readouts 6 SiPM arrays with 8x8 pixels (3x3 mm). Dimensions: 81x54x50 mm. It worked in Germany until the 2022. It doesn't work in Russia. <u>Power consumption: ~55mW/chan</u>

Both options are not available for us, we are looking for new solution!

FARICH with dual aerogel radiator

A.Yu.Barnyakov et al., NIMA 1039 (2022) 167044

RICH with dual radiators is not very new idea!

- Liquid + Gas:
 - RICH DELPHI
 - CRID SLD
 - $C_6F_{12}(n=1.278@190nm) + C_5F_{10}(n=1.00174@190nm)$
- Aerogel + Gas:
 - HERMES
 - RICH1 LHCb
 - Aer.(n=1.03@400nm) + C₄F₁₀(n=1.00137@400nm)
- Aerogel + Crystal:
 - RICH+ToF SuperB:
 - Aer.(n=1.05@400nm) + Quartz (n=1.47@400nm)
 - FARICH SuperB:
 - 3-layer aer. n_{max}=1.07@400nm + NaF (n=1.33@400nm)
- Aerogel + Aerogel:
 - FARICH SCTF:
 - 4-layer aer. n_{max}=1.05@400nm + aer (n=1.12@400nm)

Aerogel is material with easy tunnable refractive index!

Aerogels with high optical density

Sintering approach

ZrO₂ addition approach The scattering length of aerogels with zirconium 50r 3% mol. ZrO₂ 45 6% mol. ZrO₂ 40 35 30 -sc(400nm) 25 20 The first sample of SiO₂–ZrO₂ aerogel 1.05 1.06 1.07 1.08 1.09 1.1 1.11 1.12 **Refractive index**

The addition of small amount $(0.03\div0.06 \text{ mol})$ of ZrO_2 in SiO₂ based aerogel alow us to produce highly transperant aerogels with high optical density:

- Refractive index up to n=1.12
- Rayleigh light scattering length L_{sc}(400nm) up to 30 mm

Beam tests results of FARICH with dual radiator

G4 simulation vs beam test results

X, mm

μ/π -separation via G4 simulation

Summary

- R&Ds on some detector and collider subsystems of the SCTF project are carried out at the BINP and several other Russian institutions as well
- Some fundings for the R&Ds on the project in 2023-2025 are provided by Russian government
- PID system based on FARICH technique is the main option for the SCTF project
 - In 2022-2023 the possibility to produce 15 m2 of "focusing" aerogel Cherenkov radiators with target parameters was demonstrated
 - Recent progress in high opticaly dense aerogel production with help of ZrO2 dope allows us to consider new design of FARICH detector with dual aerogel radiator which able to provide excelent μ/π separation from 0.2 up to 1.5 GeV/c
 - For further progress of the FARICH technique it is necessary to develop photon detector options and compatible R/O electronics
- In modern conditions we faced with some issues which are able to delay realization of the SCTF project

Back up slides

Advantages of the SCT factory

1.	Threshold	production	of $ au$	leptons	and
	charmed h	adrons			

- Well-defined initial state
- Low multiplicity of particles
- Kinematic constraints

- 2. Longitudinal polarization of the electron beam
 - \circ Boosted sensitivity to \mathcal{CP} violation in baryons and τ leptons
 - Measuring the Weinberg angle

3. Coherent $D^0\overline{D}^0$ pairs

- Measuring charm mixing and *CP* violation with unique techniques
- Measuring phases of the decay amplitudes

4. Full event reconstruction

 Superior background suppression
 Measuring absolute branching fraction of charmed hadrons

LFV and CPV with tau

$\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma$

- Allowed in several BSM scenario, including SUSY, leptoquarks, technicolor, and extended Higgs models
- > $\mathcal{O}(10^{-9})$ reachable upper limit at SCT for the branching of $\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma$
- > Requires excellent π/μ separation

CP symmetry breaking

> CPV in tau production

$$J_{EM} \propto F_1 \gamma^{\mu} + \left(\frac{i}{2m_{\tau}}F_2 + \gamma^5 F_3\right) \sigma^{\mu\nu} q_{\nu}$$

- \circ Current limit: $|d_{ au}| \lesssim 10^{-17} \ e \cdot {
 m cm}$
- Tau EDM with polarized electrons: $\sigma(d_{\tau}) \sim 10^{-20} e \cdot cm$
- > CPV in tau decays (e.g., $\tau \rightarrow K \pi \nu_{\tau}$)

Beam polarization is essential for these measurements [PRD 51 (1995) 5996]

History of aerogel radiators in Novosibirsk

- **KEDR ASHIPH** system (VEPP-4M BINP):
 - π /K-separation in the momentum range 0,6÷1,5 GeV/c.
 - Aerogel n = 1,05 (V~1000 L).
- SND ASHIPH system (VEPP-2000 BINP):
 - π /K-separation in the momentum range 300÷870 MeV/c.
 - Aerogel n = 1,13 (V~9 L).
- ➢ DIRAC-II (PS − CERN):
 - π /K-separation in the momentum range 5,5÷8,0 GeV/c.
 - Aerogel n = 1,008 (V~9 L).
- > AMS-02 aerogel RICH (ISS):
 - Search for antimatter, study of cosmic rays.
 - Aerogel n = 1,05 (S~1 m²).
- ➤ LHCb aerogel RICH (LHC CERN):
 - π /K-separation in the momentum range 5,5÷8,0 GeV/c.
 - Aerogel n = 1,03 (S~0,5 m²), aerogel tile 20x20x5 cm³.
- CLAS-12 aerogel RICH (J-Lab):
 - π /K- & K/p-separation at level 4 σ with several momentum GeV/c.
 - Aerogel n = 1,05 (S~6 m²), aerogel tile 20x20x2-3 cm³.

Beam tests with FARICH in 2021-2022 at BINP

- Electrons with E=2 GeV are used
- 4 MaPMTs (H12700 from Hamamatsu with pixel 6x6 mm) were used with different masks to reduce effective pixel size:
 - Ø1 mm to investigate contribution from aerogel itself
 - 3x3 mm to measure realistic Single Photon Resoulution (SPR)
- Three GEMs are used at beamline:
 - ✓ Two before aerogel sample and one behind
 - It alows us to restore Chernekov angle for each detected photon and mitigate multiple scattering affects at beam-line.

RICH with Fresnel lens

EIC project

Key EIC Characteristics (parameters) - High particle collision rate $L = 10^{34} cm^{-2} s^{-1} \left(\int L dt = 100 f b^{-1} / y ear \right)$ - Large center-of-mass energy range E_{CM} _ 20 ÷ 140 GeV - electrons 2.5 \div 18 GeV - protons 40 ÷ 275 GeV (ions: $Z/A \times E_n$) - Polarized beams of electrons and ions (*up to* 70%) - Large range of ion species $(p \rightarrow U)$ - At least one large-acceptance detector

EIC detector proposals

- **Projected budget:** \approx \$2.4 *billion* - **Start date:** \approx 2031

- backward proximity-focus RICH
- central high-performance DIRC AC-LGAD TOF
- forward dual-radiator RICH

- backward AC-LGAD TOF
- central high-performance DIRC
- forward dual-radiator RICH

- backward modular RICH AC-LGAD TOF
- central high-performance DIRC AC-LGAD TOF forward
- dual-radiator RICH AC-LGAD TOF

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ECCE-PID & mRICH system concepts

ECCE = EIC Comprehensive Chromodynamics Experiment

- Physics requirements
 - pion, kaon and proton ID
 - over a wide range $|\eta| \le 3.5$
 - with better than 3σ separation
 - significant pion/electron suppression

Momentum-rapidity coverage

- forward: up to 50 GeV/c
- central: up to 6 GeV/c
- backward: up to 10 GeV/c

Demands different technologies

Cherenkov detectors:

- dRICH = dual RICH (aerogel + gas)
- hpDIRC = high-performance DIRC (synthetic fused silica)
- mRICH = modular RICH (aerogel + Fresnel lens)

68 modular counters oriented to IP:

- aerogel n=1.03 100x100x40 mm³
- acrylic Fresnel lens with focal distance 6"
- position sensitive photon detector HRRPD (MCP-PMT) or SiPM arrays

Aerogel RICH with Fresnel lens

Such approach allows us to improve Cherenkov angle resolution and optimize photo detectors area!

The thick aerogel for mRICH – EIC project

BINP 2022: single block 23x23x4 cm with n=1.027 from BIC

FermiLAB 2021: stack of three 1 cm thickness blocks with n=1.03 from Chiba University

• In both cases there is no reason to make the aerogel thickness more than $(1 \div 2) \cdot L_{sc}$:

$$N_{out} = N_0 \frac{L_{sc}}{h} \left(1 - e^{-\frac{h}{L_{sc}}} \right), \qquad L_{sc} \sim \lambda^4$$

- In case of approach "stack" the additional Cherenkov photons loss is occurred due to reflectance and scattering on the additional surfaces
- There are two not cut off surfaces in aerogel
 - "Optical surface" it contacts only with air during the production
 - "Bottom" it contacts with metallic frame during the production processes
- Several configuration of the aerogel Cherenkov radiators were tested with relativistic electron beams at BINP beam test facilities in 2022.

Cherenkov angle single photon resolution (SPR)

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FARICH system concept for SCTF project

Focusing Aerogel RICH approach

Variable n allows to increase N_{pe} using thicker radiator without compromising σ_{Θ_c}

T.lijima et al., NIM A548 (2005) 383 A.Yu.Barnyakov et al., NIM A553 (2005) 70

Main requirements for PID system:

- π/K separation > 4 σ up to 3.5 GeV/c
- μ/π suppression ~1/40 for 0.5 ÷ 1.2 *GeV*/*c*
- Below 0.2 GeV/c μ/π separation could be performed with help of tracking system by means dE/dx technique (cluster counting mode) or with ToF technique using Cherenkov light from entrance window of fast photon detectors ($TTS \le 100 \ ps$)
- FARICH with dual radiator was considered to provide π/K separation in momentum range $0.2 \div 0.5 \frac{GeV}{c}$

2012 test beam: μ/π separation >3 σ at P=1 GeV/c was demonstrated A.Yu. Barnyakov, et al., NIM A 732 (2013) 35

FARICH system for SCTF project

- Proximity focusing RICH
- 4-layer or gradient aerogel radiator n_{max} = 1.05 (1.07?), 35 mm thickness
- 21 m² total photon detector area
 - SiPMs in barrel (16 m²)
 - MCP PMTs in endcaps (5 m²)
- ~10⁶ pixels with 4 mm pitch & 3x3 mm² sensitive area

Expected $e/\mu/\pi$ – separation with FARICH up to 1.5 GeV/c

