

Particle Identification

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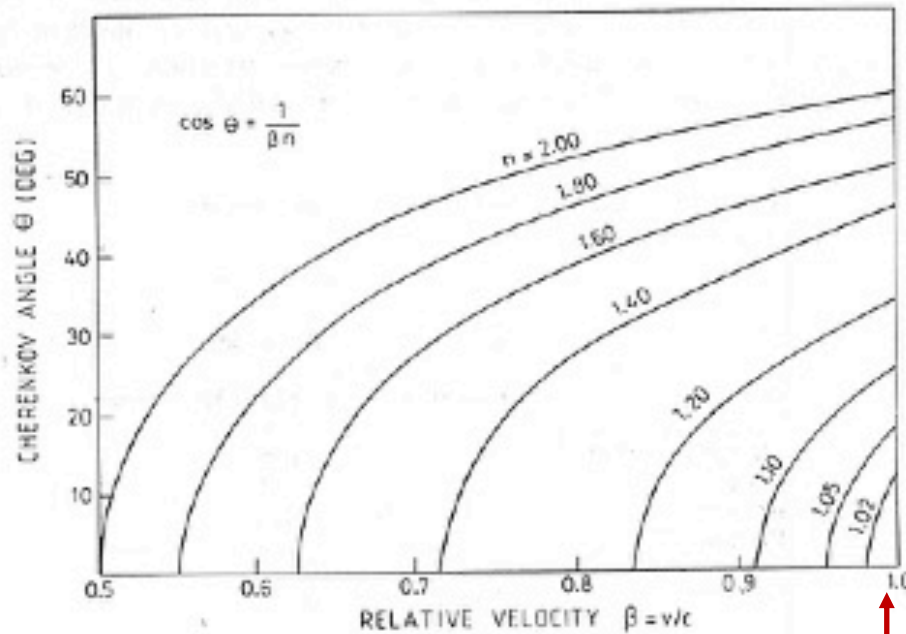
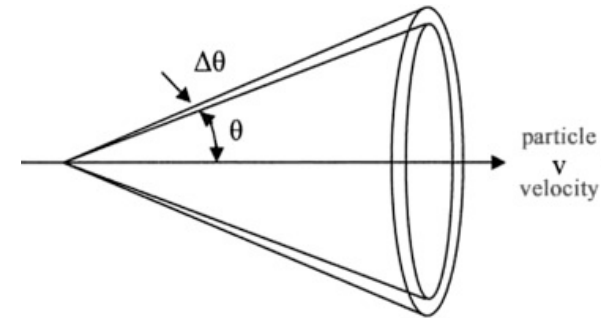
- Cerenkov radiation
 - Belle II iTOP
 - LHCb RICH detectors
- dE/dx and muons

Cerenkov Radiation

The Cerenkov effect:

- When a charged particle traverses a medium with a velocity **exceeding that of light in that medium**, photons are radiated. The condition is $v > c/n$, or $\beta > 1/n$. the greater the index of refraction n , the lower the threshold velocity β .
- the photons are emitted at an angle:

$$\cos \theta_c = \frac{1}{n\beta}$$



[from Kleinknecht, *Detectors for Particle Radiation*]

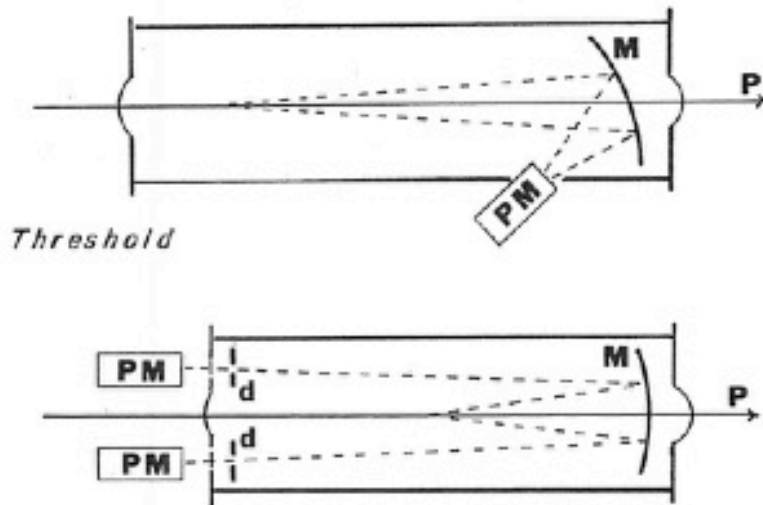
$\rho(\pi) = 0.08$ 0.14 0.29 1.4 GeV

$\beta = 0.995$

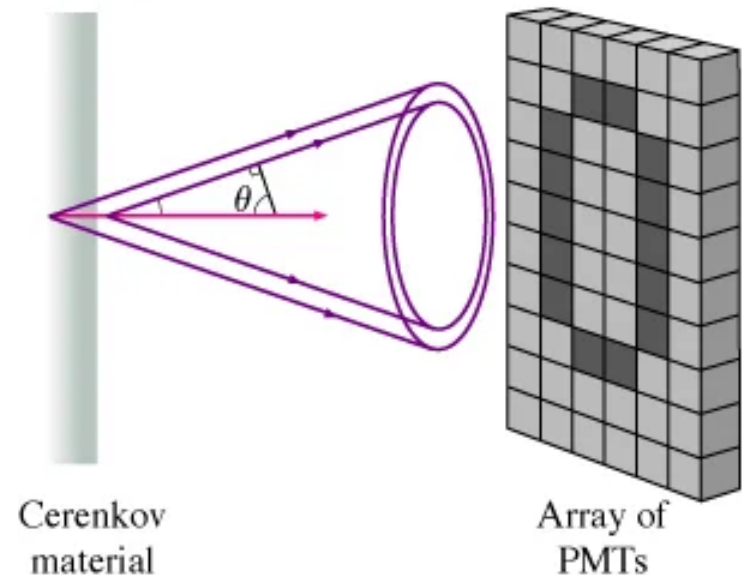
Cerenkov Radiation

The light can be collected in several ways:

Measuring light yield:



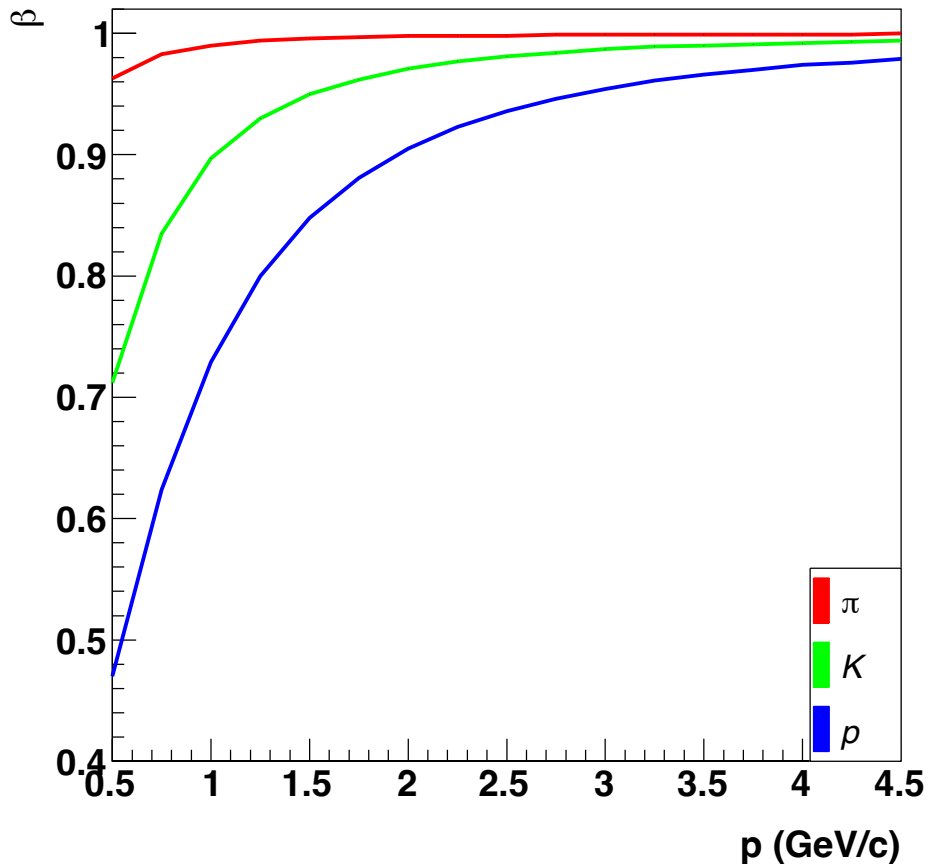
Measuring Cerenkov angle (RICH):



By measuring either *light yield* or θ_c , one *measures* β , the velocity of the charged particle. Given the momentum of the particle, i.e., as measured in a spectrometer (tracking detector in a magnetic field), one determines the mass (the particle identity): $m = p/(\gamma\beta)$

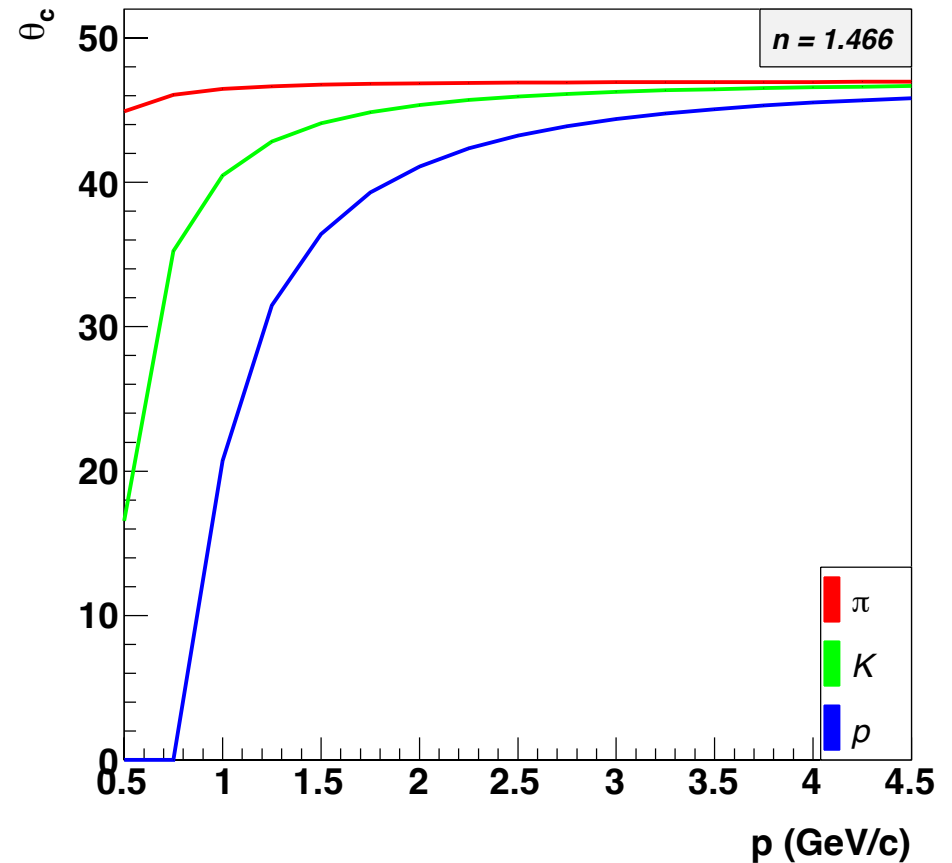
Cerenkov Radiation

Belle II (e^+e^-) momentum range:



\Rightarrow for most of momentum range, β differs between π/K by only \sim few %

Cerenkov angle:



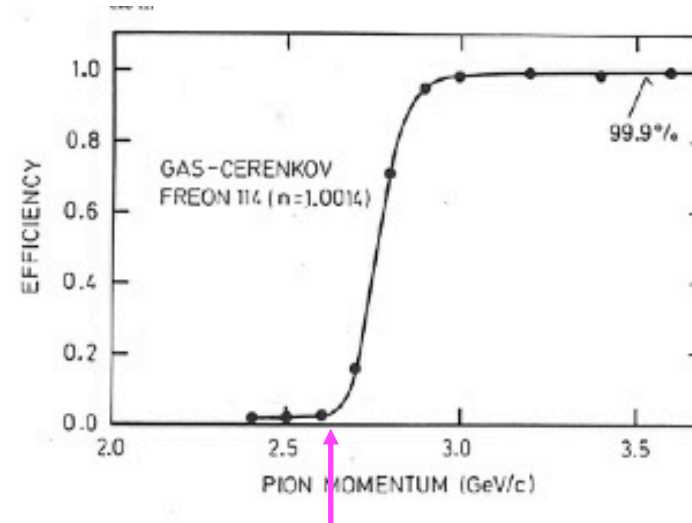
\Rightarrow for most of momentum range, θ_c differs between π/K by $\leq 2^\circ$ (34 mrad)

Cerenkov Radiation

Charged particles must be above the Cerenkov threshold ($1/n$) to be detected:

Freon 114: $n = 1.0014$, $\beta_{\text{thresh}} = 0.9986$, $\gamma_{\text{thresh}} = 18.92$,

$$\Rightarrow p_{\text{thresh}}(\pi) = 2.637 \text{ GeV}$$



[from Fernow, *Introduction to Experimental Particle Physics*]

Most photons are emitted in the UV, which is hard to detect; but a generous number of photons are emitted in the visible, which matches well to mirrors, windows, and PMTs. The greater β , the greater θ_c , and the more light is radiated:

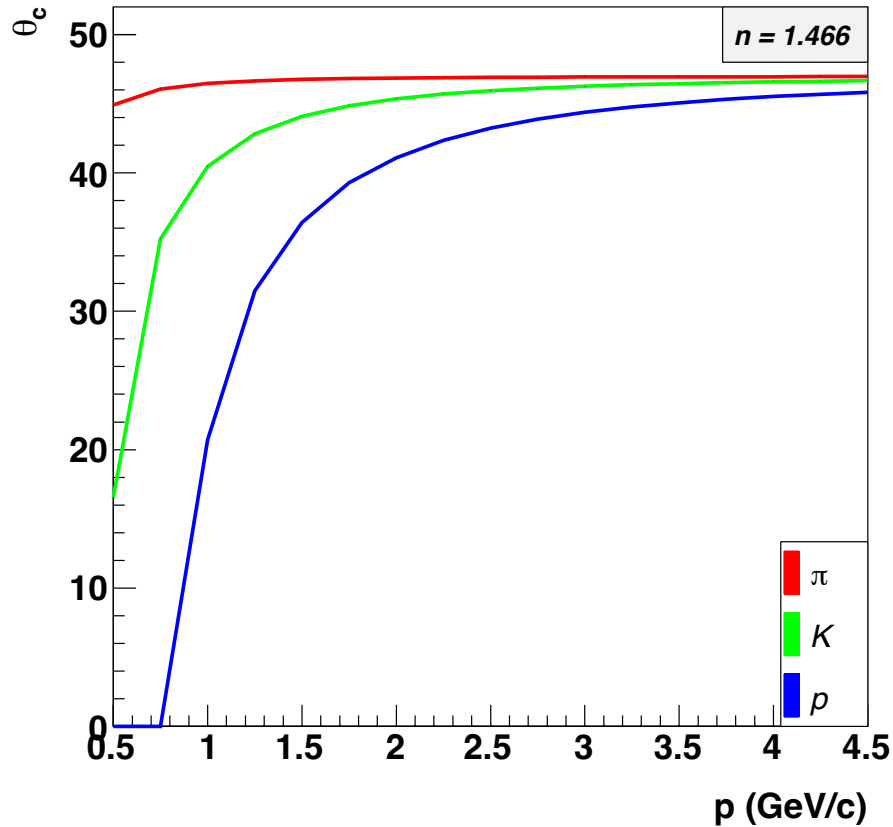
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dN}{dx d\lambda} &= 4\pi\alpha \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{\beta^2 n^2}\right) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dN}{dx} &= 2\pi\alpha \int_{n\beta} \left(1 - \frac{1}{\beta^2 n^2}\right) \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda^2} \\ &\approx 2\pi\alpha \sin^2 \theta_c \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1}{\lambda_2}\right) \\ &\approx 390 \sin^2 \theta_c \quad (\lambda = 350 - 500 \text{ nm}) \end{aligned}$$

Note:

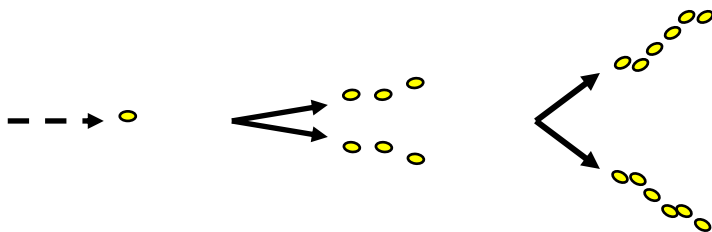
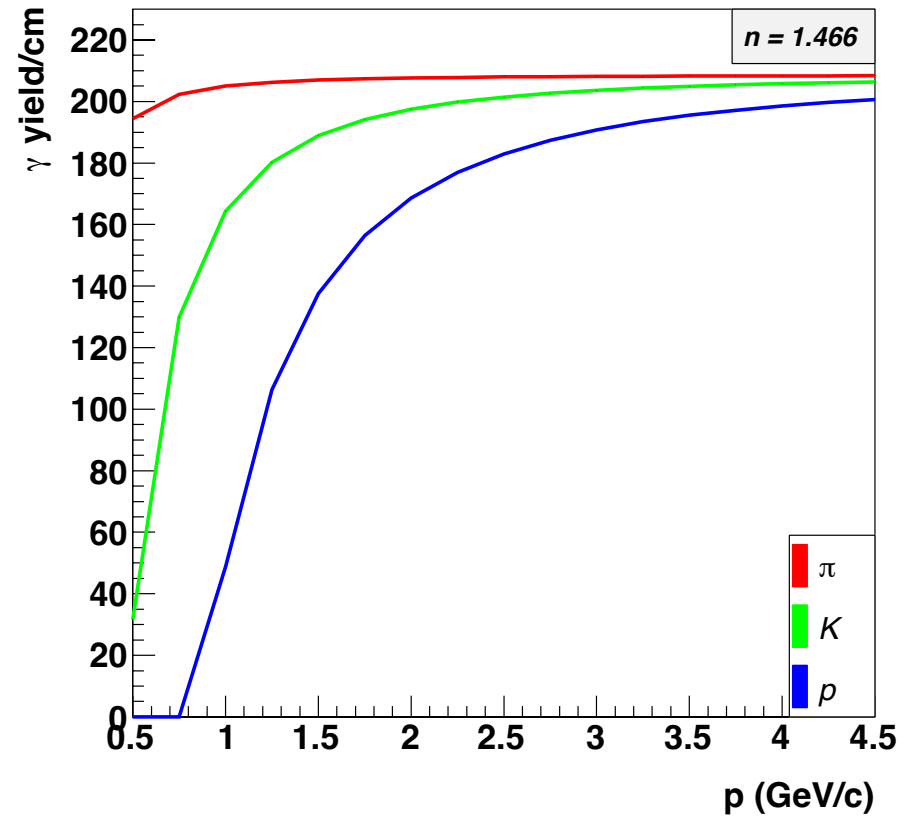
detecting photons down to $\lambda = 330 \text{ nm}$ increases photon yield by 20% (390 \rightarrow 470)

Cerenkov Radiation: Belle II quartz ($n=1.466$)

Cerenkov angle:



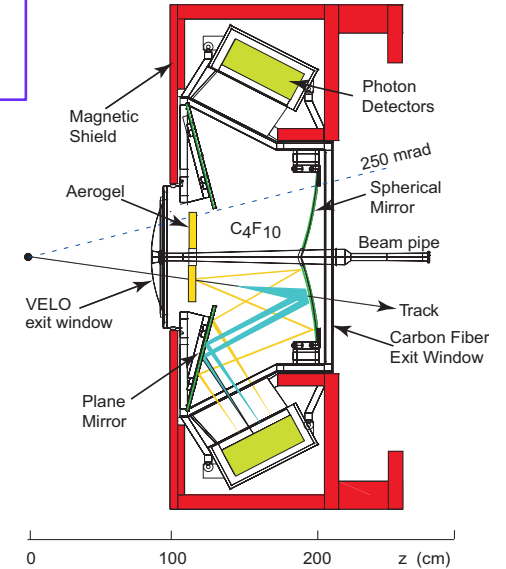
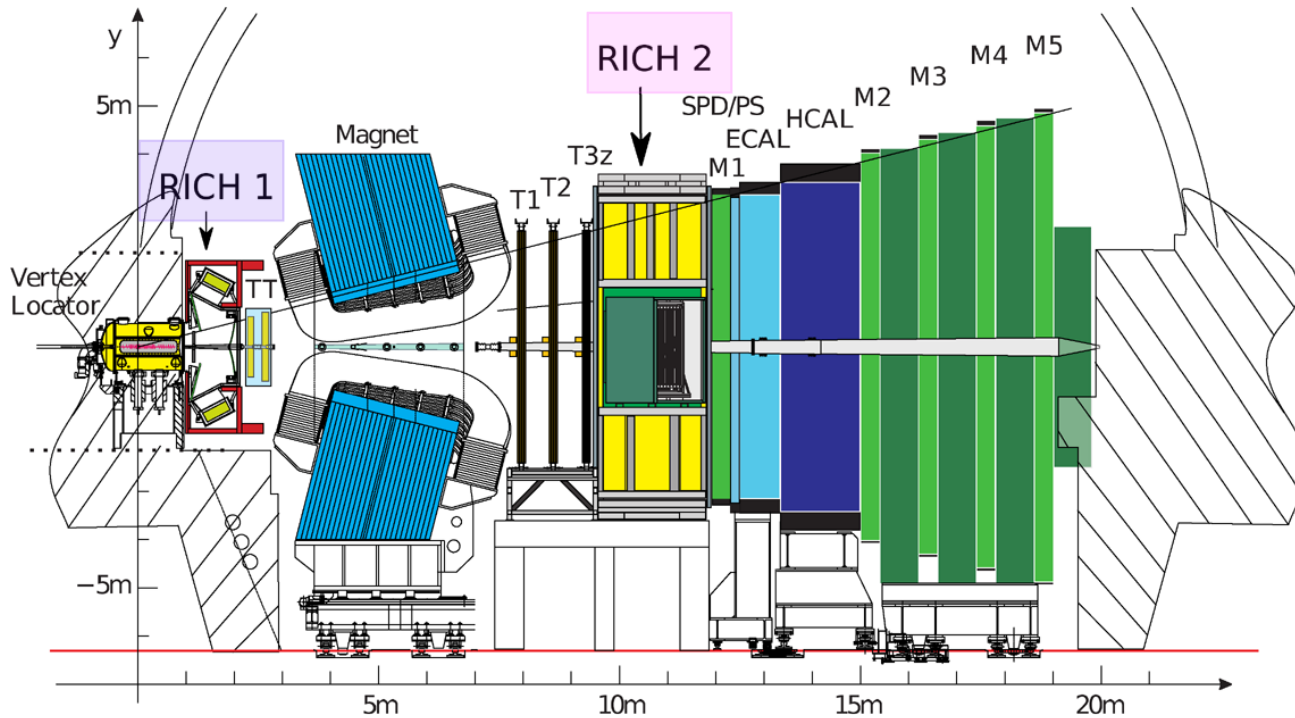
Photon yield per cm of radiator
(x 4 cm for 30° tracks)



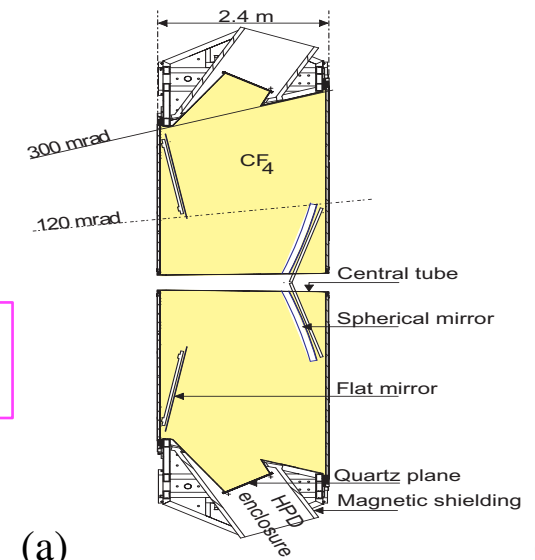
\Rightarrow for most of momentum range, γ yield differs between π/K by $\sim 5-15 \gamma/cm$ (+ Poisson fluctuations)

Cerenkov Radiation: LHCb

RICH 1: C_4F_{10}
($n = 1.0014$)



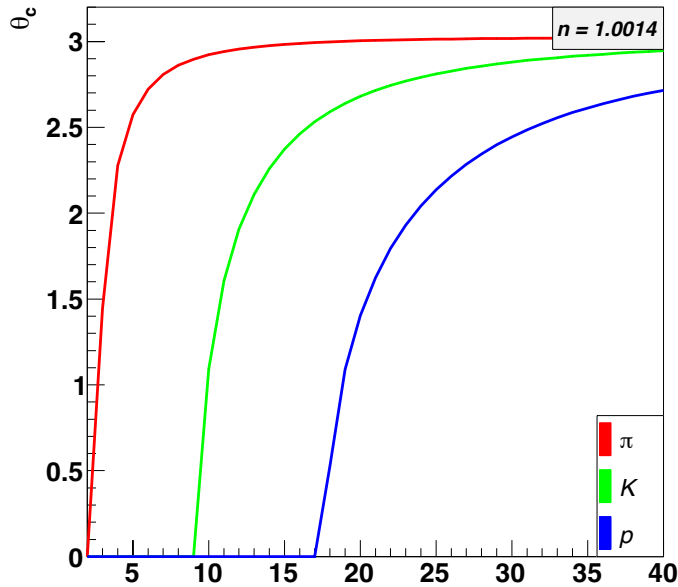
RICH 2: CF_4
($n = 1.0005$)



[more details: Adinolfi et al. (LHCb), EPJC 73, 2431 (2013)]

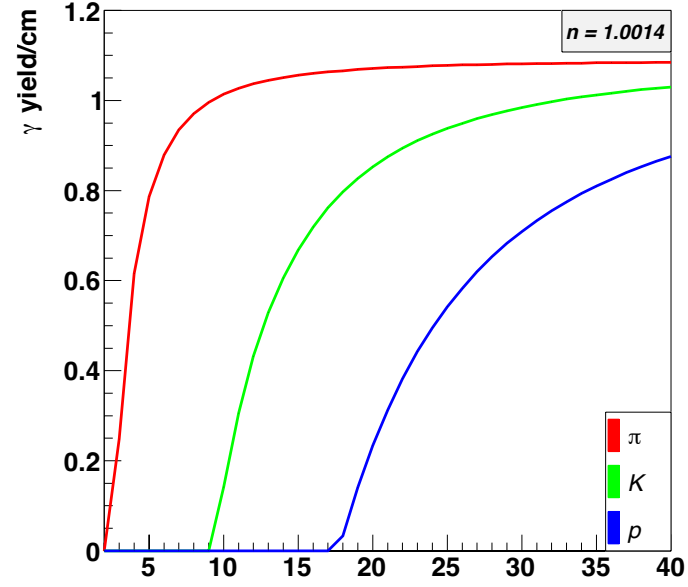
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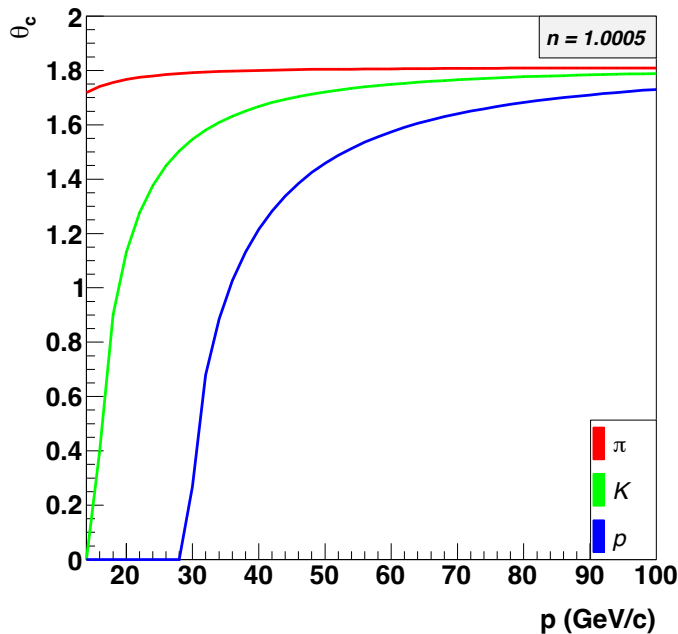


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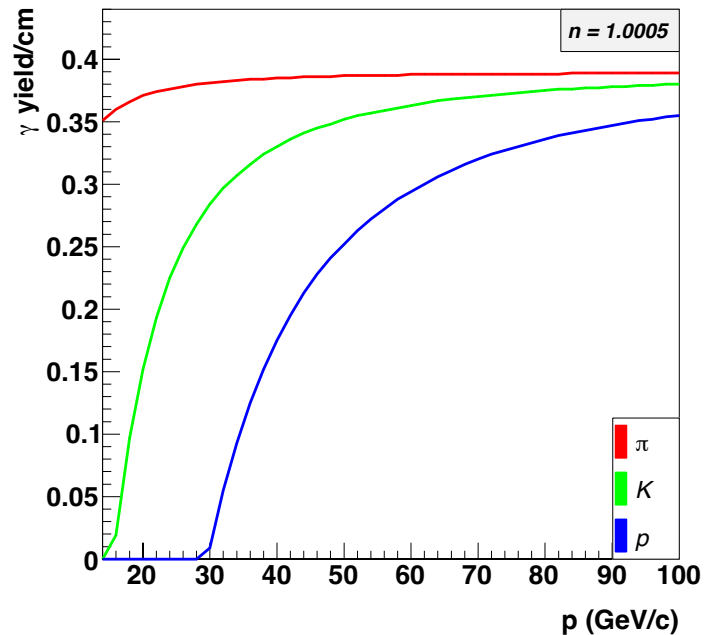
Photon yield per cm of radiator



x 95 cm
= total γ



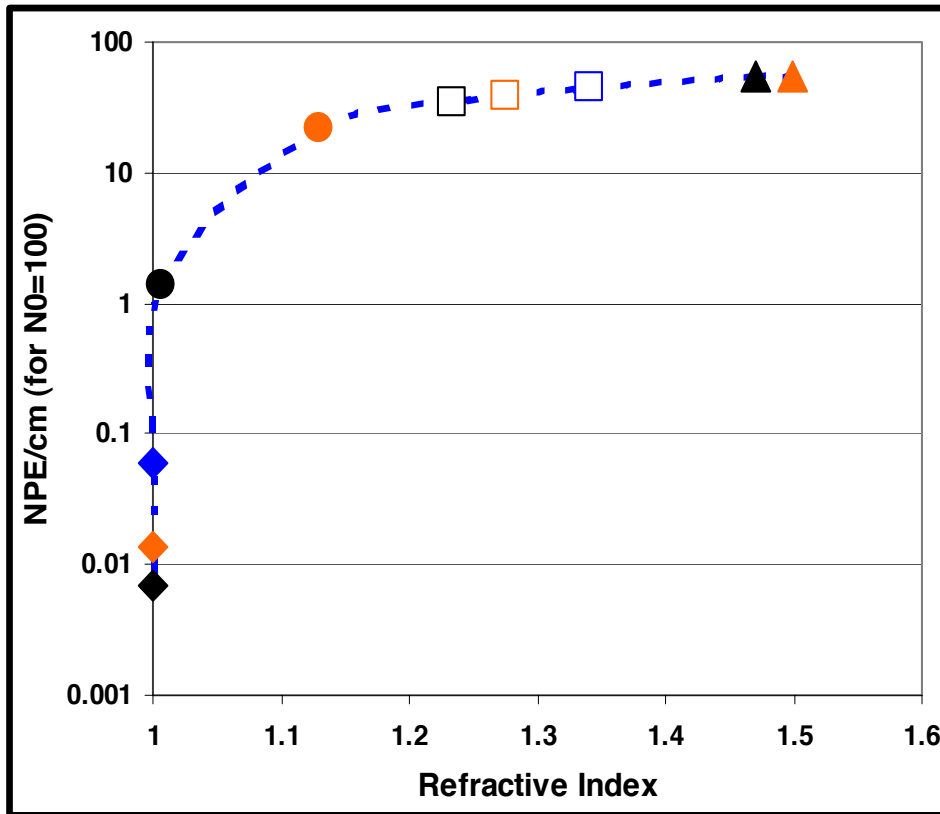
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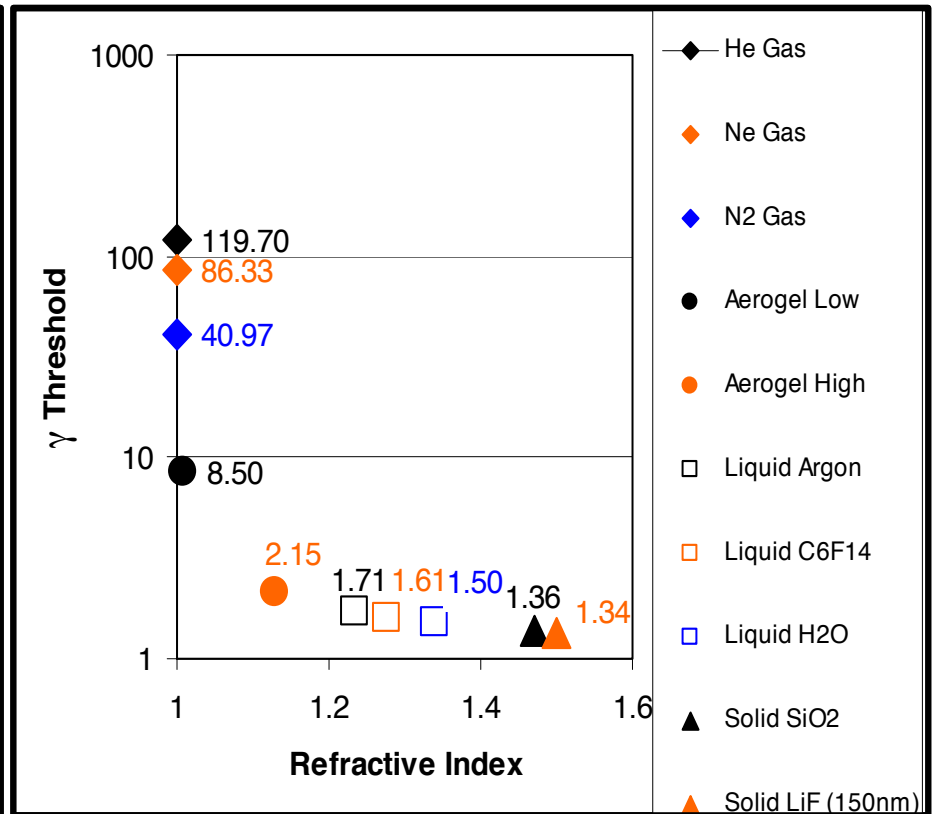
x 180 cm
= total γ

Cerenkov Radiators

N_{PE}/cm versus Refractive Index for Various Radiators

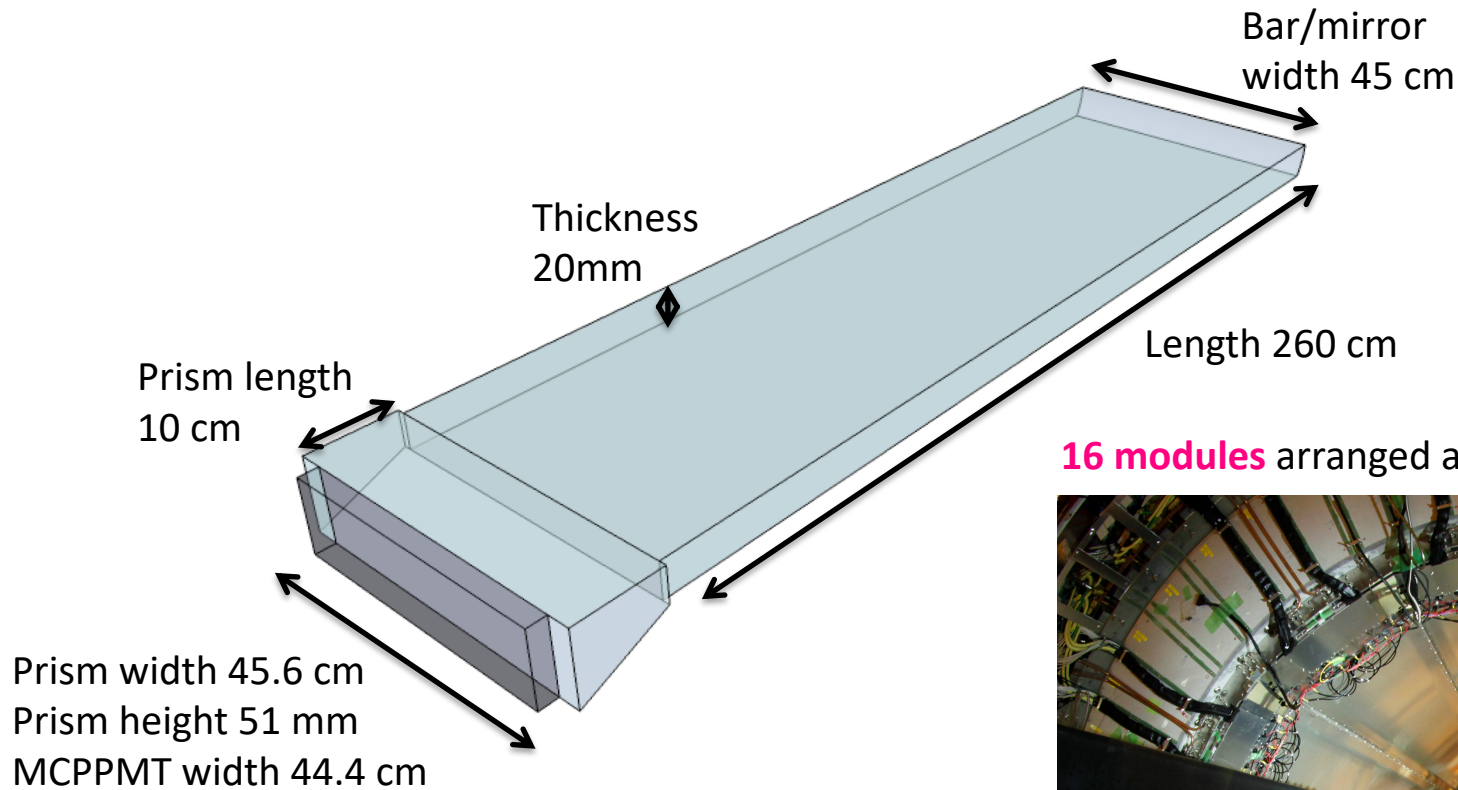
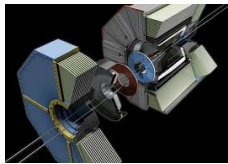


$\gamma_{\text{threshold}}$ versus Refractive Index for Various Radiators

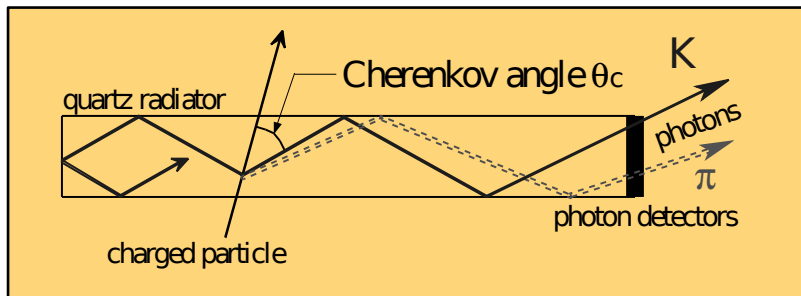
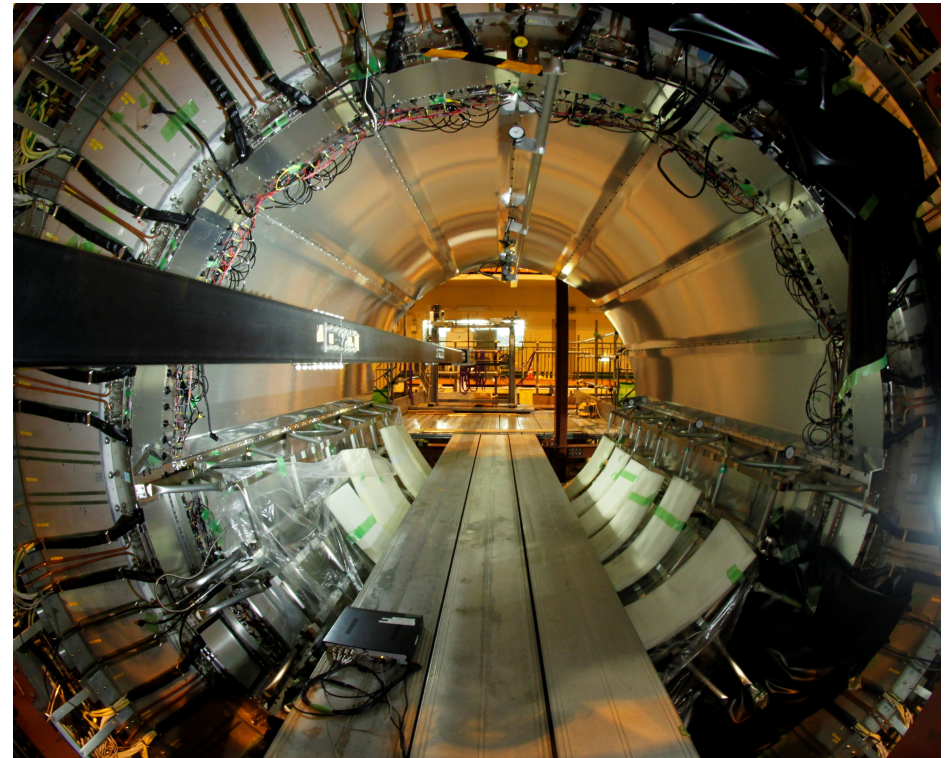


[from Ratcliffe, *Imaging Rings in Ring Imaging Cherenkov Counters*, presented at RICH 2002, Pylos, Greece]

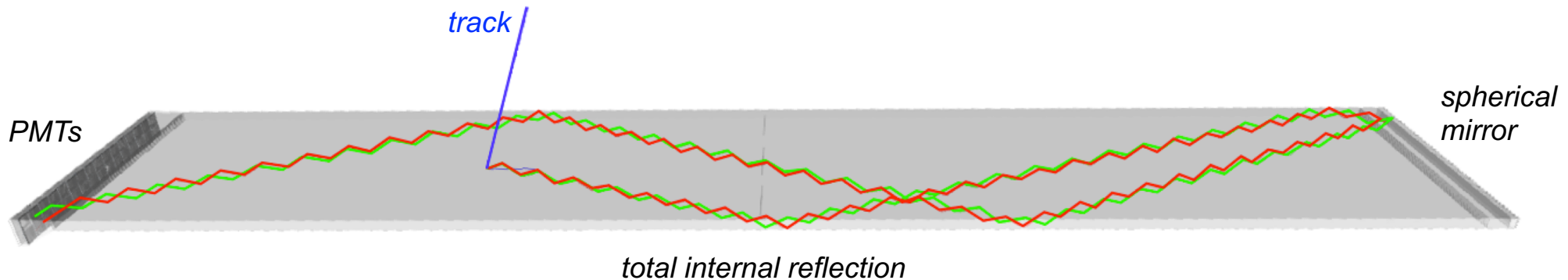
Belle II iTOP (“imaging time-of-propagation”) Detector



16 modules arranged azimuthally around beampipe:

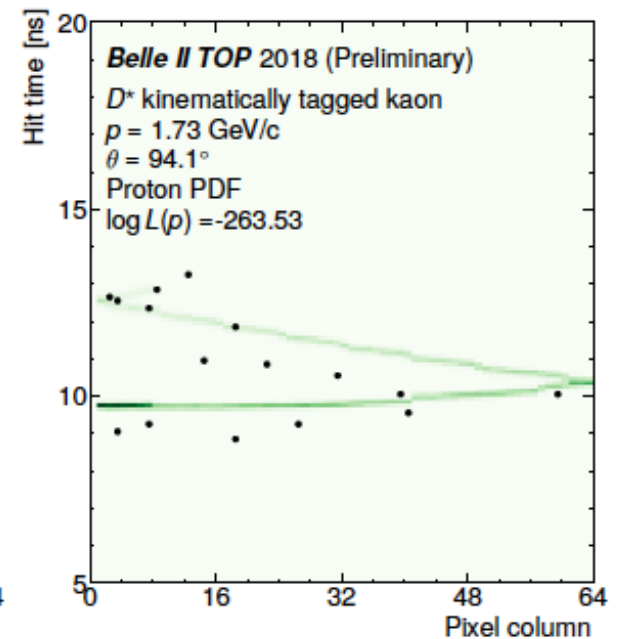
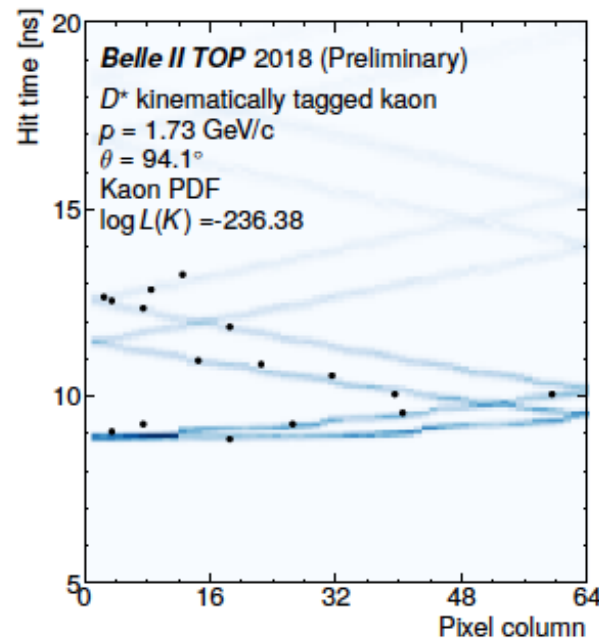
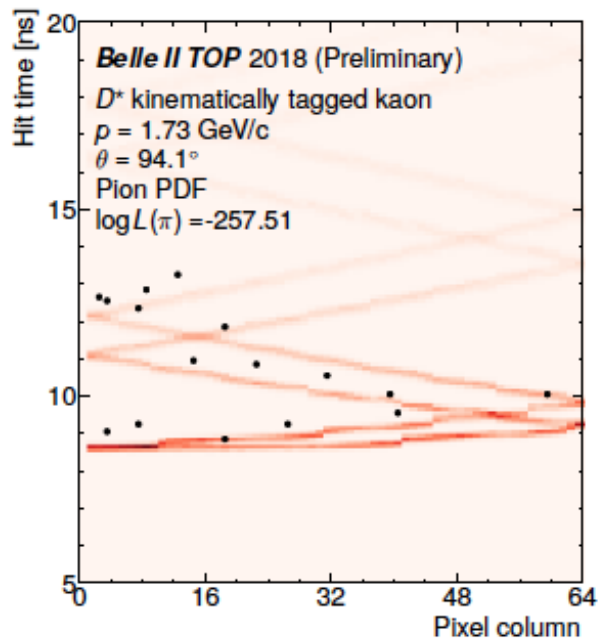


Belle II iTOP Detector: how it works



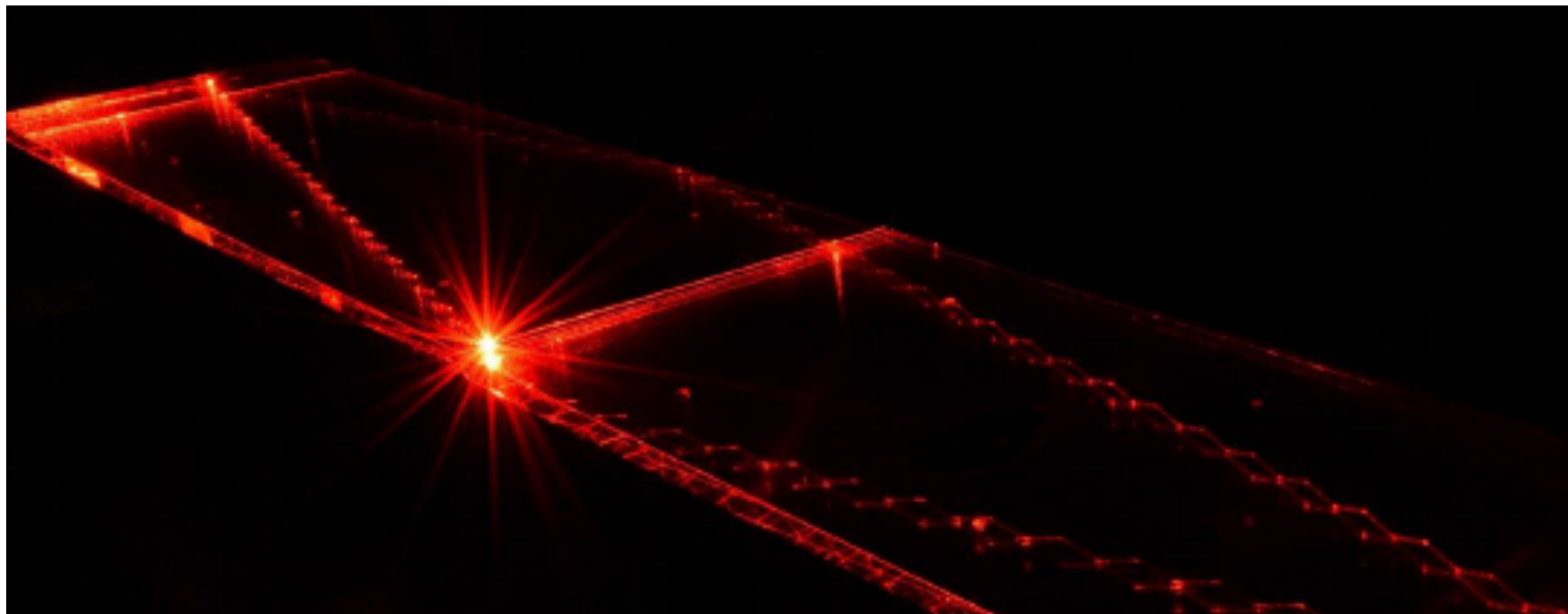
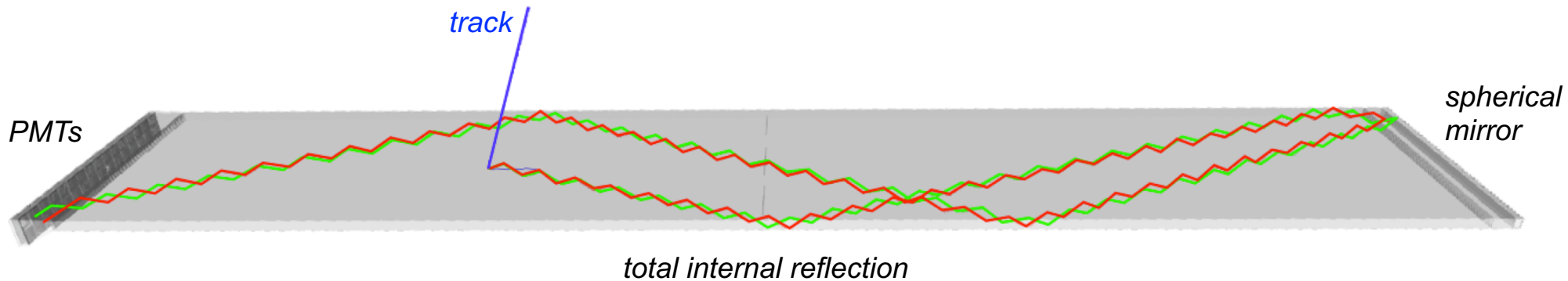
$p = 1.7 \text{ GeV}/c$, $\theta_{\text{polar}} = 94^\circ$ K^+ track:

best match:



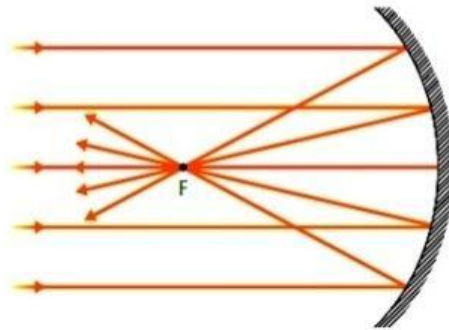
Note:
pions arrive earliest due to largest θ_c

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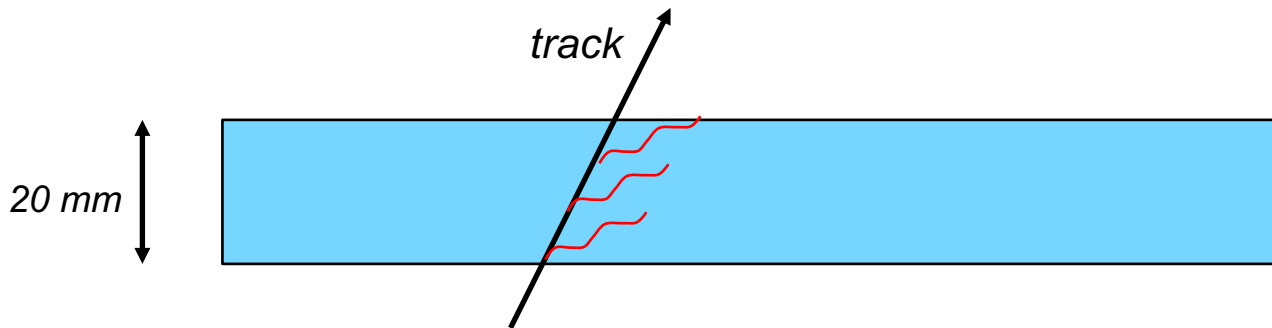


Belle II iTOP Detector: mirror focusing

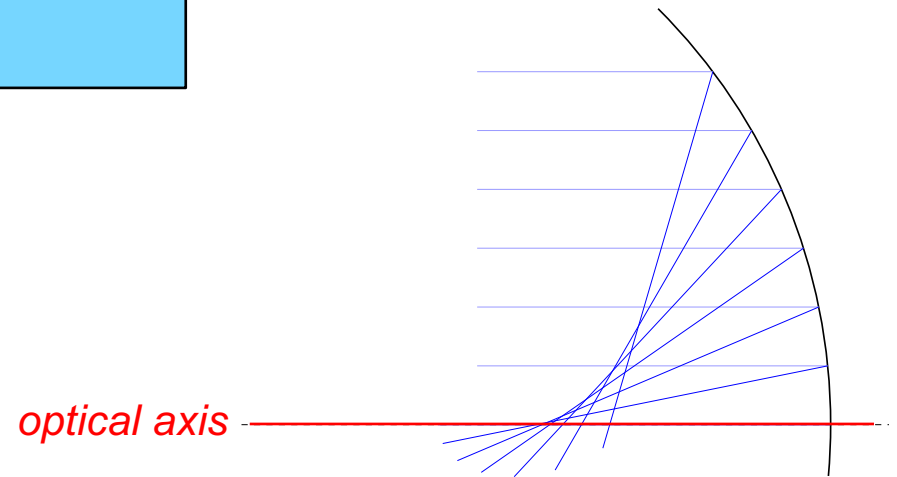
A spherical mirror focuses parallel rays to common point:



This can “remove” the thickness of the radiator bar:



*But the mirror is not perfect:
there is spherical aberration:*



Belle II iTOP Detector: time-of-propagation

Time of propagation (TOP) depends on path length and group velocity:

$$v_g = \frac{c}{n_g}$$

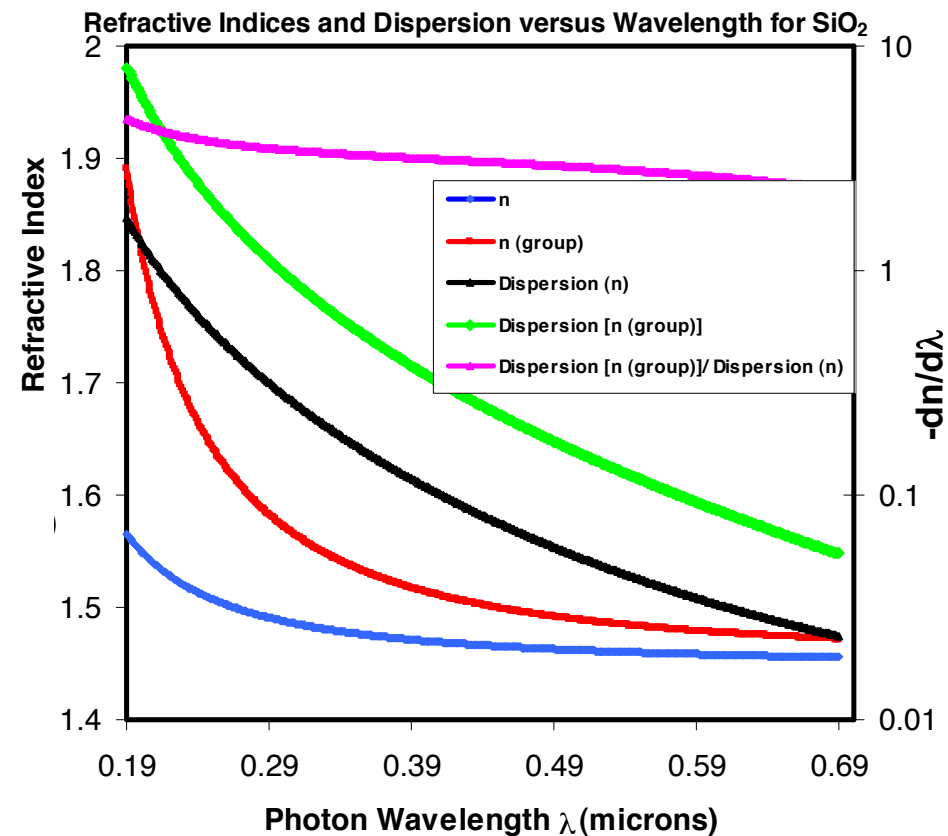
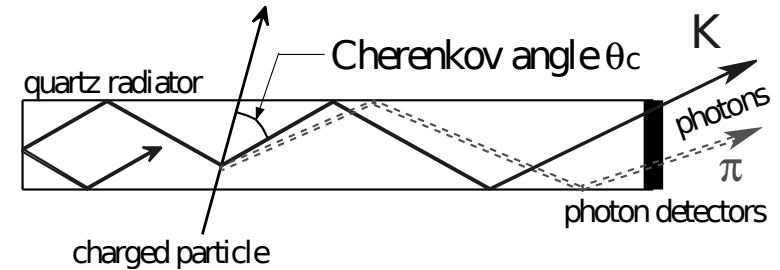
This "group index" n_g differs from the "phase index" n that governs $\cos \theta_c = 1/(n\beta)$.

Also, the group index has much larger chromatic dispersion than the phase index:

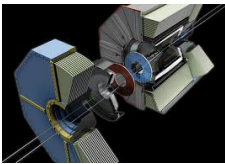
$$n(\lambda) = n(\lambda_0) - \lambda \frac{dn}{d\lambda}$$

dispersion

- the Cerenkov angle θ_c has very small (but non-zero) variation with photon wavelength: UV photons are emitted at slightly larger angles than IR photons
- the TOP has notable variation with photon wavelength: UV photons propagate slower than IR photons; this degrades time resolution



Belle II iTOP Detector: time-of-propagation



Corning 7980
(quartz)

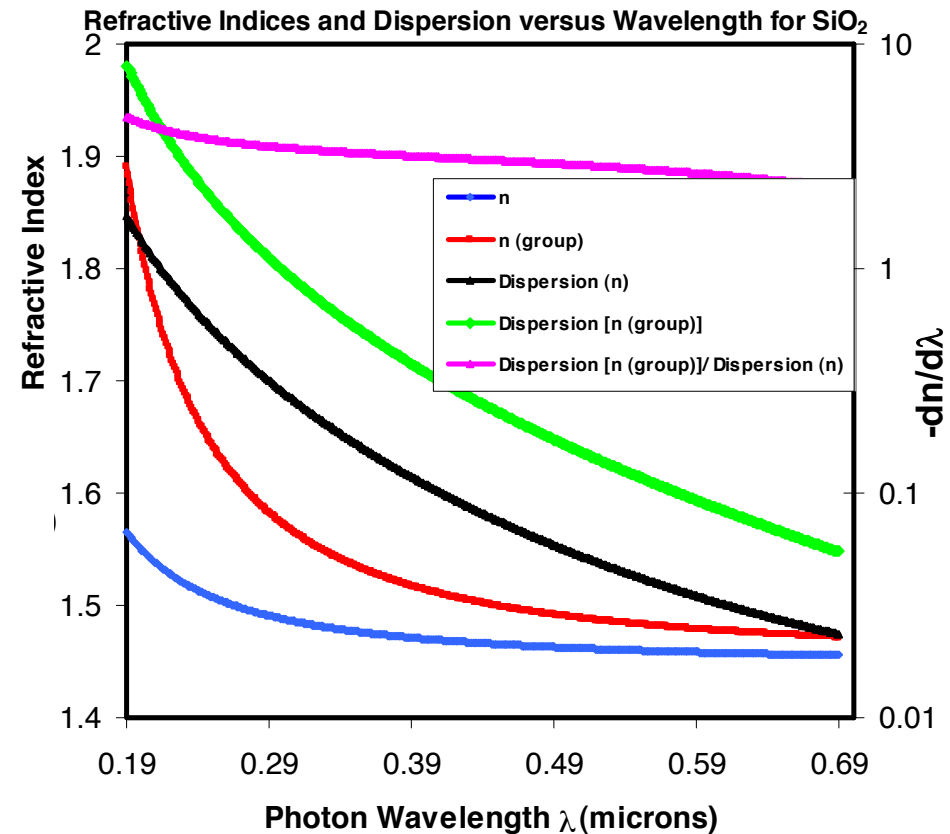
Refractive Index and Dispersion
Data in 22°C in 760mm Hg dry nit

Wavelength [air] λ [nm]	Refractive Index ^{*2} n
1128.64	1.448870
1064.00	1.449633
1060.00	1.449681
1013.98 n _t	1.450245
852.11 n _s	1.452469
706.52 n _r	1.455149
656.27 n _c	1.456370
643.85 n _{c'}	1.456707
632.80 n _{He-Ne}	1.457021
589.29 n _D	1.458406
587.56 n _d	1.458467
546.07 n _e	1.460082
486.13 n _F	1.463132
479.99 n _{F'}	1.463509
435.83 n _g	1.466701
404.66 n _h	1.469628
365.01 n _i	1.474555
334.15	1.479785
312.57	1.484514
308.00	1.485663
248.30	1.508433
248.00	1.508601
214.44	1.533789
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193.00	1.560841
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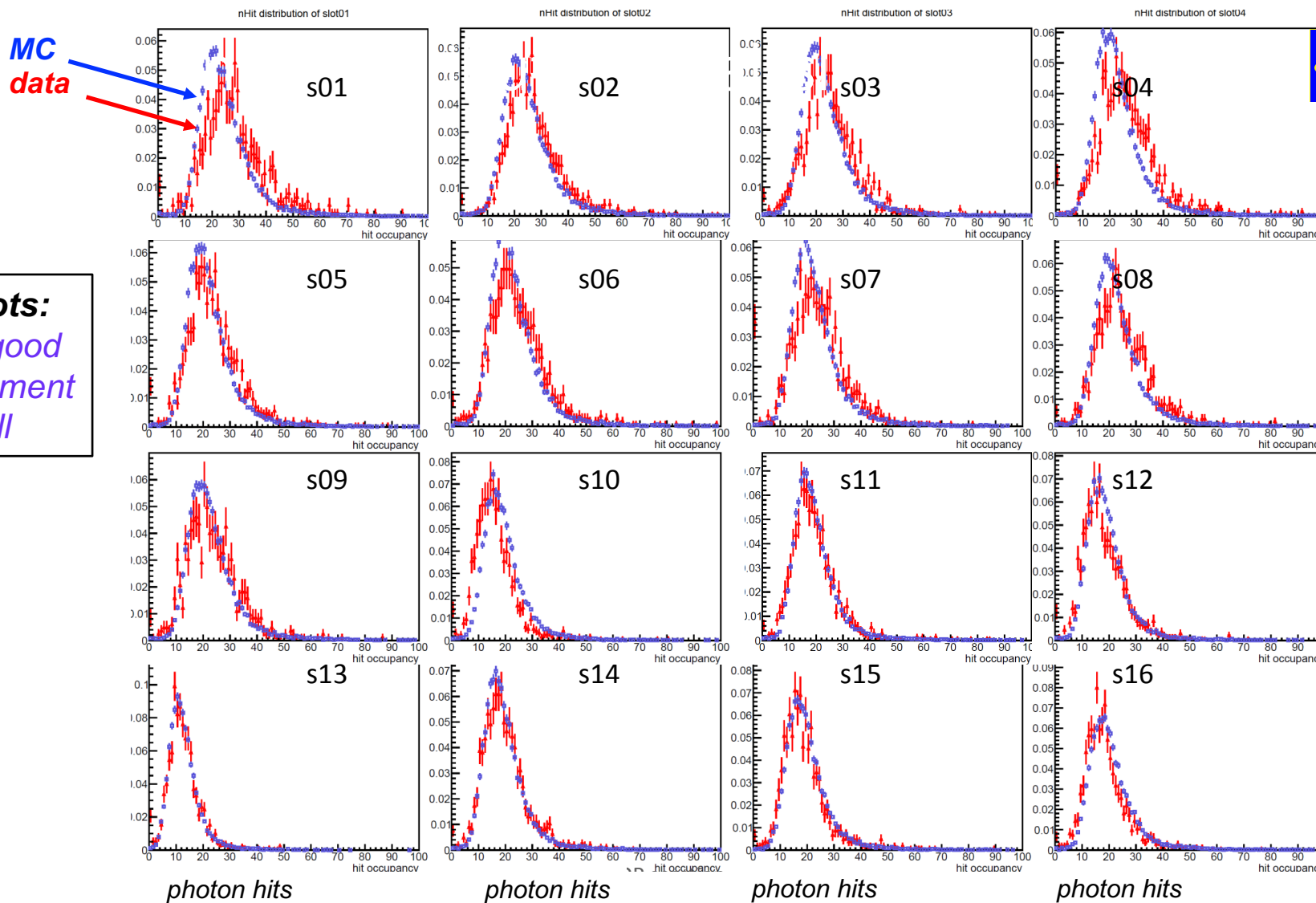
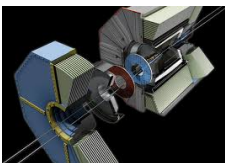
~1.4% effect for n
~2.6% effect for TOP



[from Ratcliffe, *Imaging Rings in Ring Imaging Cherenkov Counters*, presented at RICH 2002, Pylos, Greece]



Belle II *i*TOP Detector: light yield



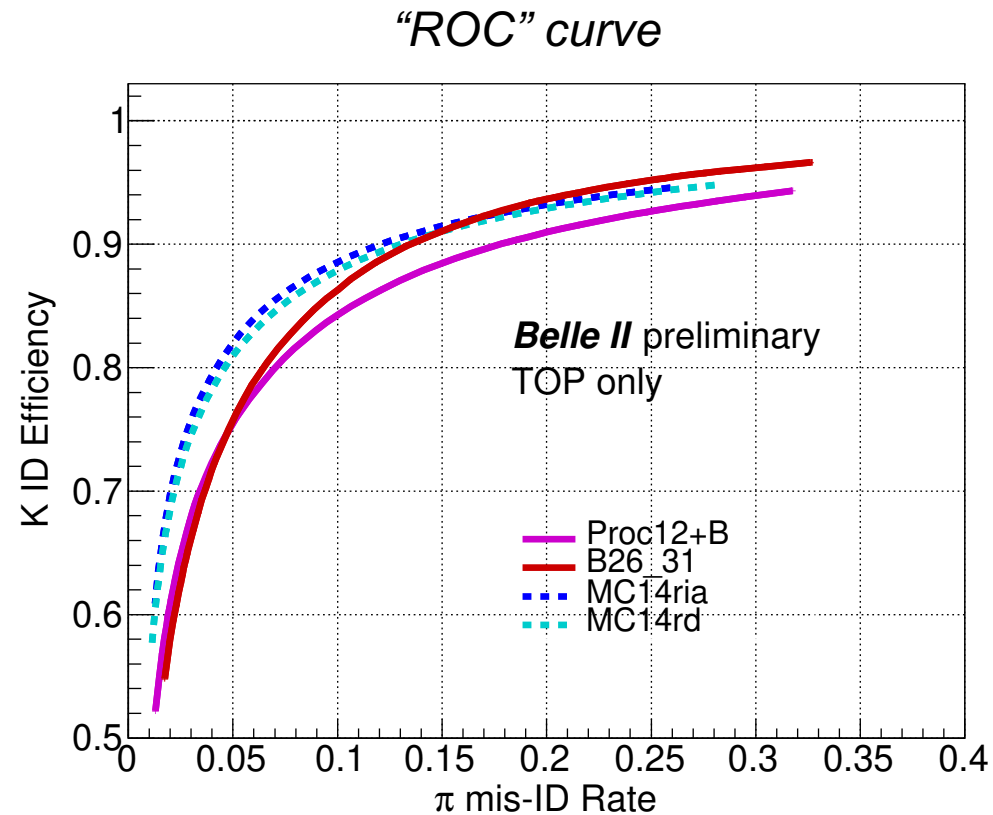
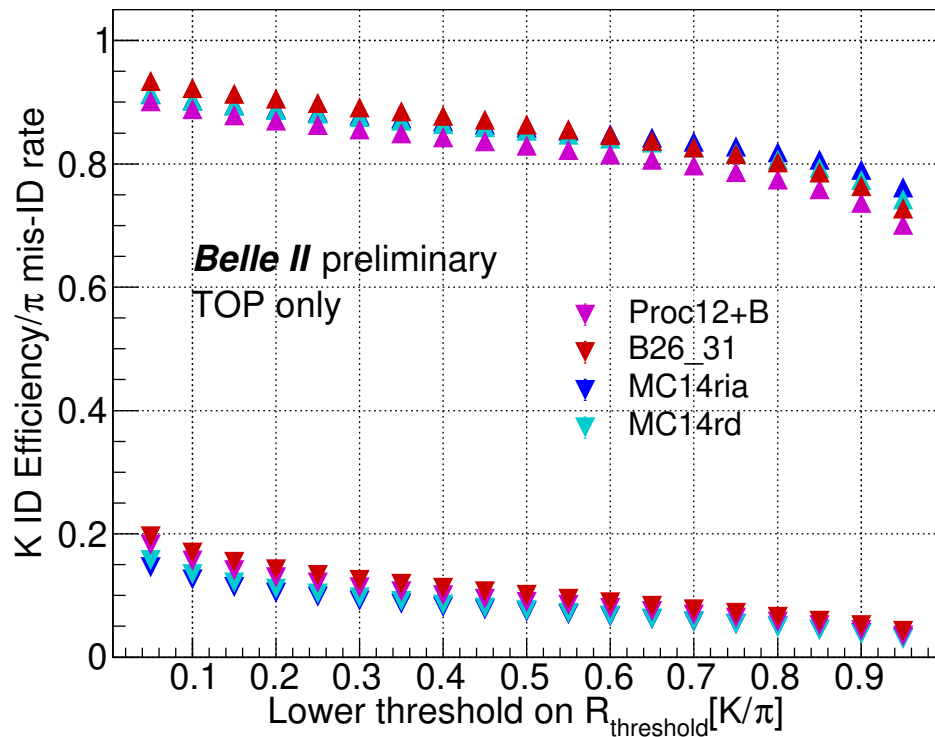
MC tuning includes measured quantum efficiency (~25%) and collection efficiency (~55%) of PMTs

Belle II *i*TOP Detector: performance

- i*TOP particle likelihood has a contribution from γ yield and a contribution from position + time (θ_D)
- Evaluate performance with $D^{*+} \rightarrow D^0(\rightarrow K^-\pi^+)\pi^+$ or $D^{*-} \rightarrow \bar{D}^0(\rightarrow K^+\pi^-)\pi^-$ decays

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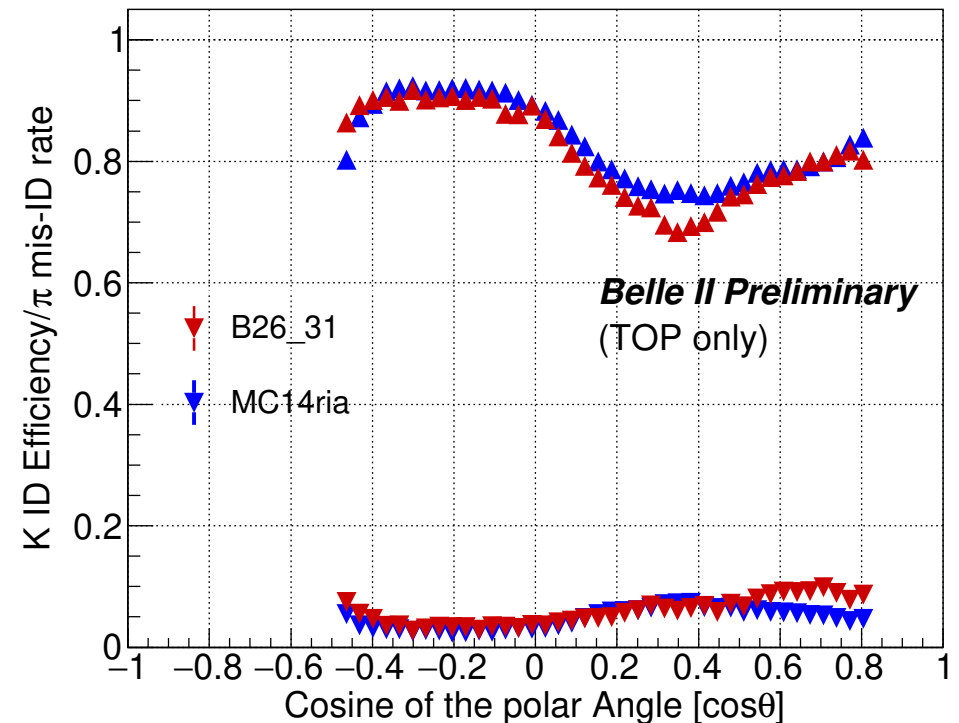
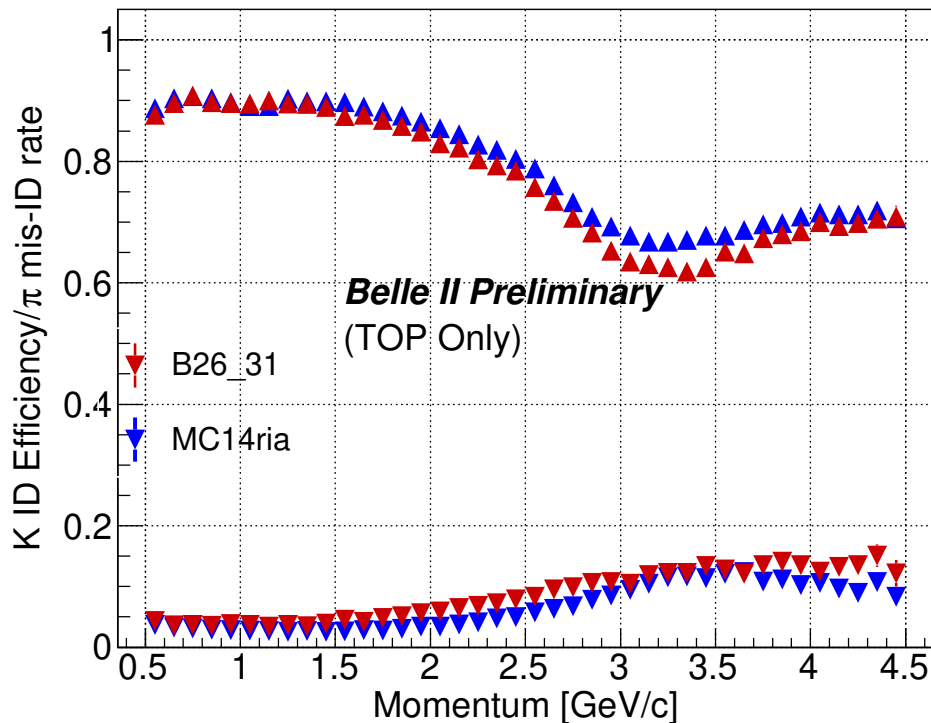


Belle II iTOP Detector: performance

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$$R_{K/\pi} > 0.8$$



low momentum particle ID: dE/dx

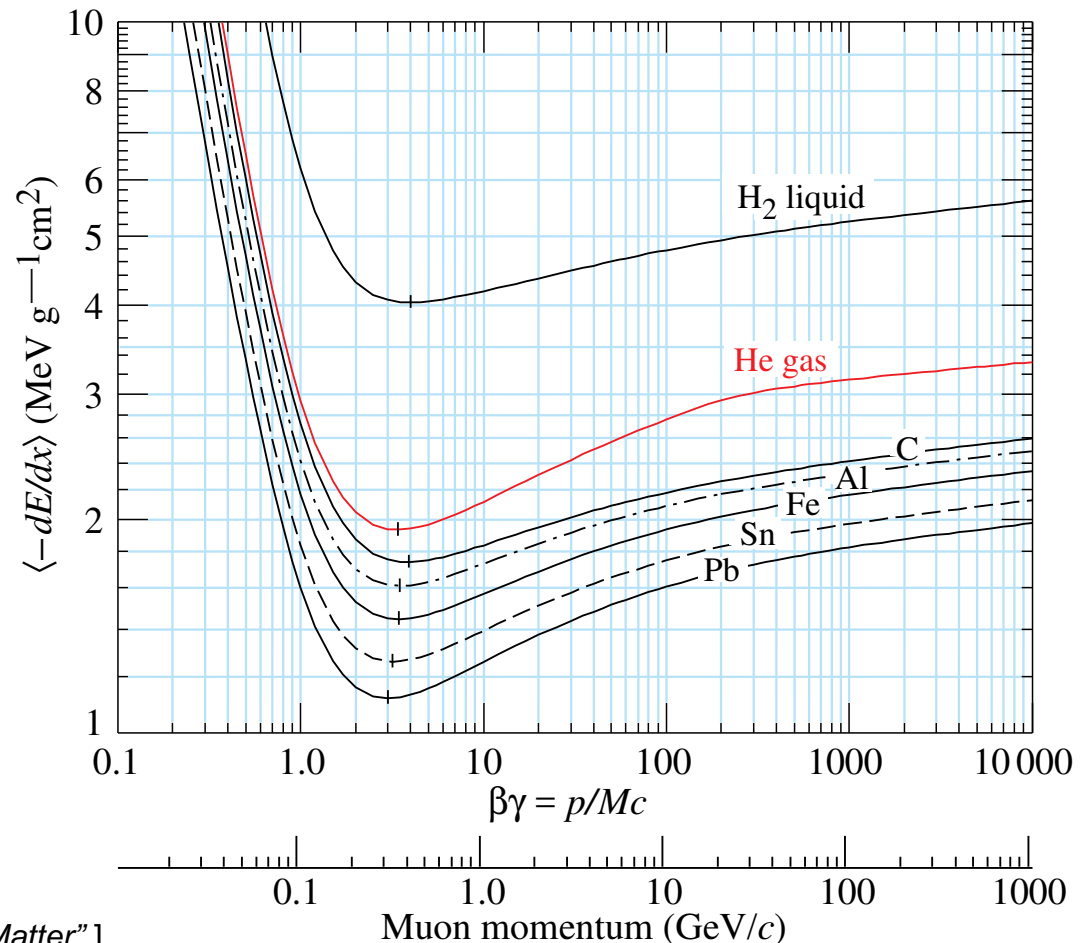
Bethe-Bloch formula (1933):

$$\left\langle -\frac{dE}{dx} \right\rangle = K \left(\frac{Z}{A} \right) \left(\frac{z^2}{\beta^2} \right) \left[\ln \left(\frac{2m\beta^2\gamma^2}{I} \right) - \beta^2 - \frac{\delta(\beta\gamma)}{2} \right]$$

$$K = 0.307 \text{ MeV mol}^{-1} \text{ cm}^2$$

Complicated, but note:

- depends on material only via (Z/A) , which varies little over a range of materials
- depends on incident particle via z^2 , i.e., higher z gives much more ionization
- also depends on $\beta\gamma$ of incident particle: broad minimum is at $\beta\gamma \sim 3$, sharp drop at lower values, slow rise at larger values. This corresponds to $\sim 2 \text{ MeV}/(\text{g}/\text{cm}^2)$
- does not depend on m of incident particle, only $\beta\gamma$ – and, knowing p , that is how one uses dE/dx for particle ID.
- the $\delta/2$ term is a small correction (the “density effect”)



[from D. Groom, PDG Review “Passage of Particles Through Matter”]

low momentum particle ID: dE/dx

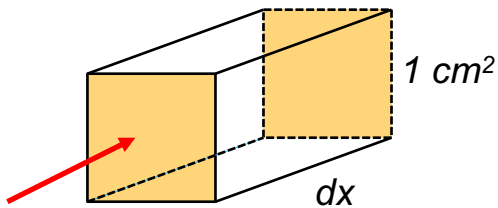
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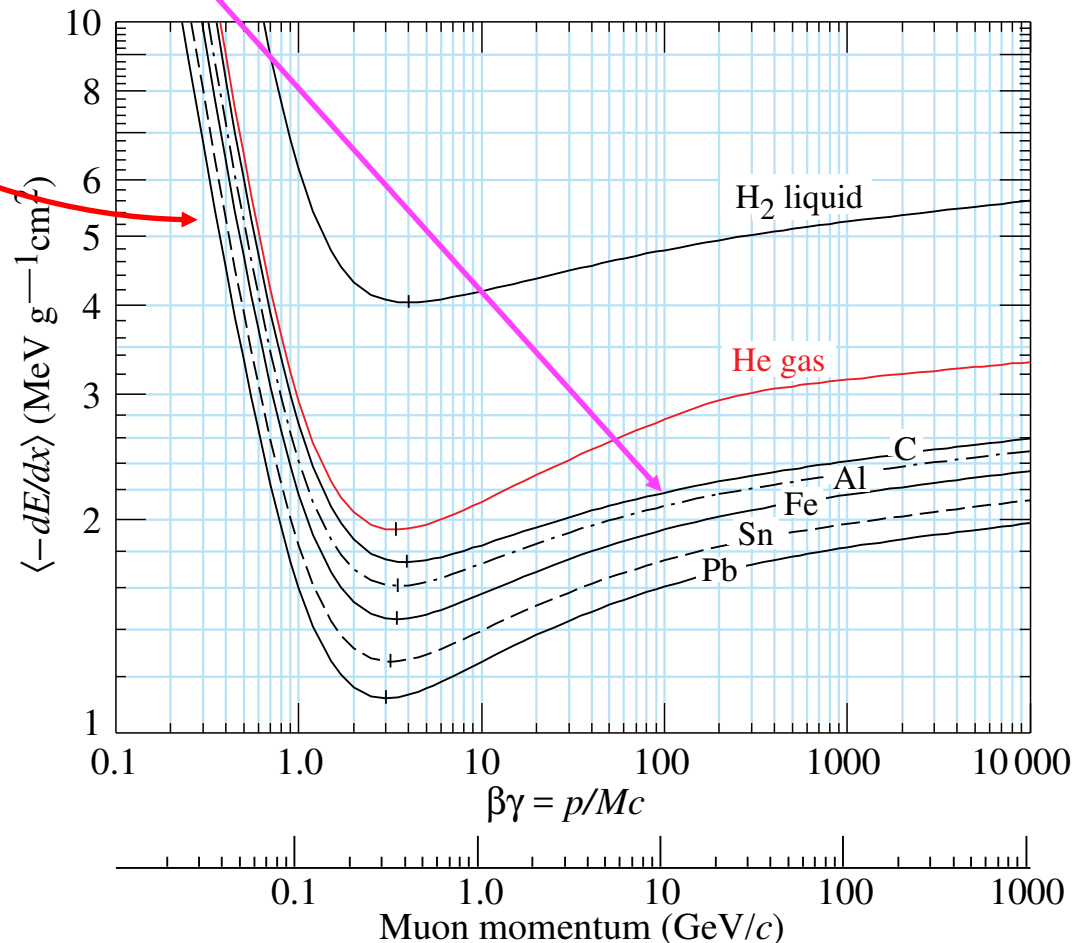
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Finer points:

- denominator "dx" is a distance, but units are **grams/cm²** (not cm)



- $1/\beta^2$ drop** is due to less time for incident particle to interact with electrons
- "**relativistic rise**" is due to greater range of electric field of incident particle, and greater maximum energy transfer
- when plotting vs. particle momentum, the $\beta\gamma$ curve gets shifted; shift depends on particle mass



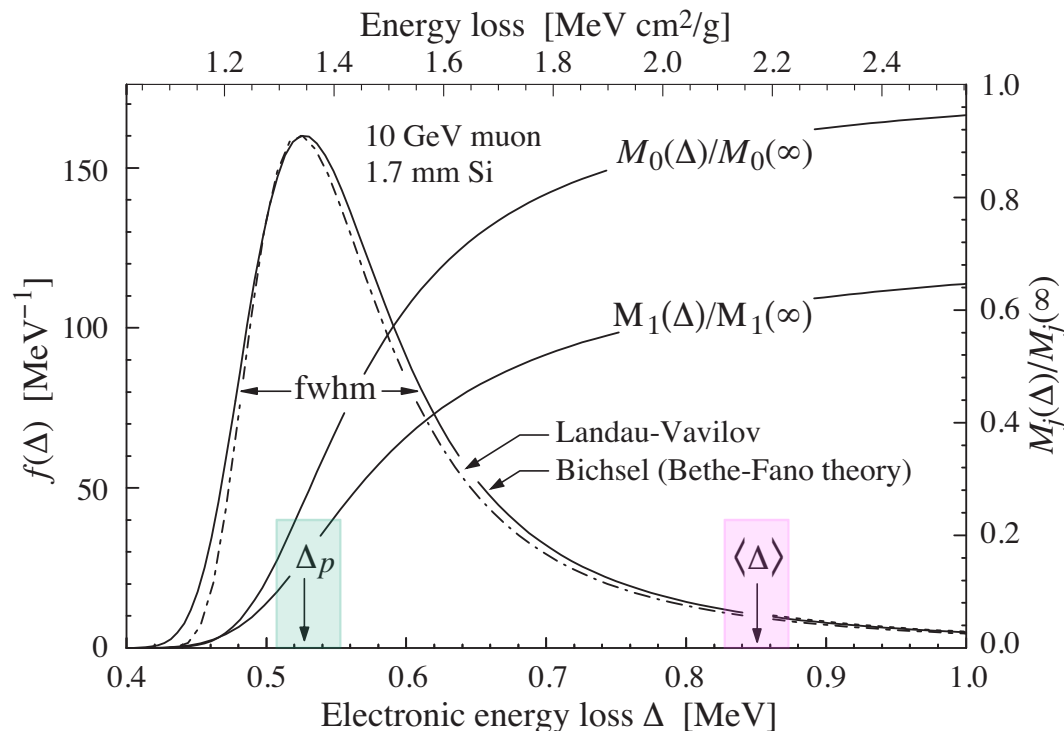
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- This formula gives only the **mean energy loss** – it is dominated by huge-energy-loss (tiny-impact-parameter) collisions, which liberate electrons (called “delta rays”).
- \Rightarrow PDG recommends using “**most probable energy loss**” formula for calculations

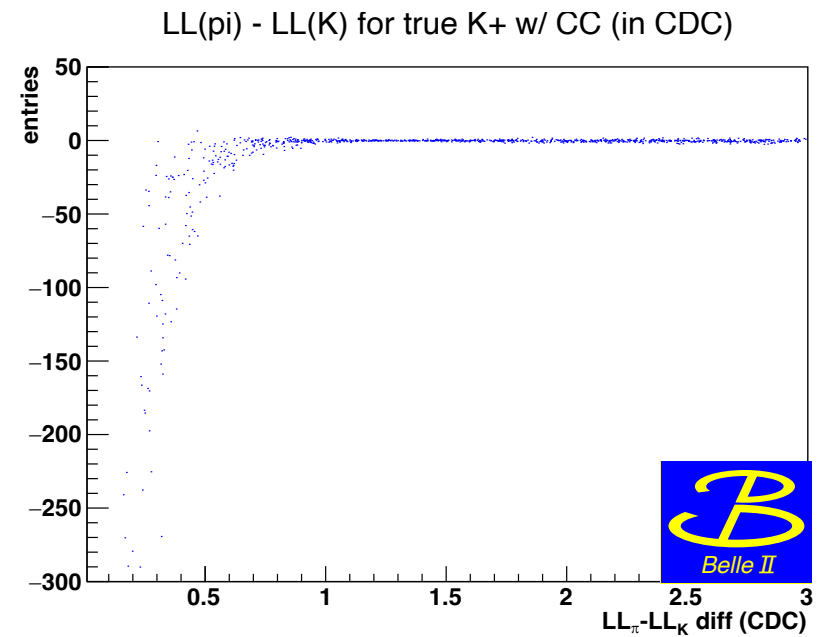
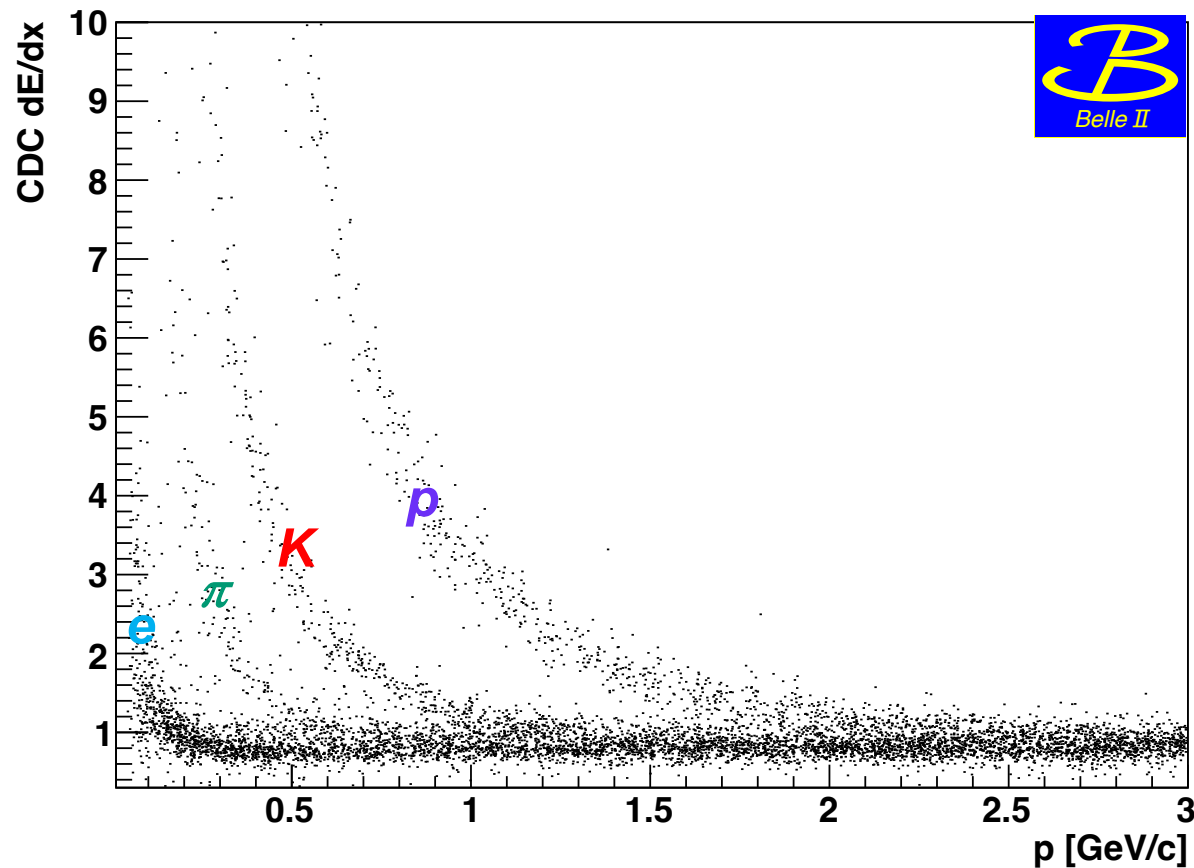
adds $\ln(KZz^2x/(2A\beta^2I))$ term



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low momentum particle ID: dE/dx

dE/dx curve for CDC (all charged w/ CC)



\Rightarrow good π/K separation up to $p \sim 1.1$ GeV/c

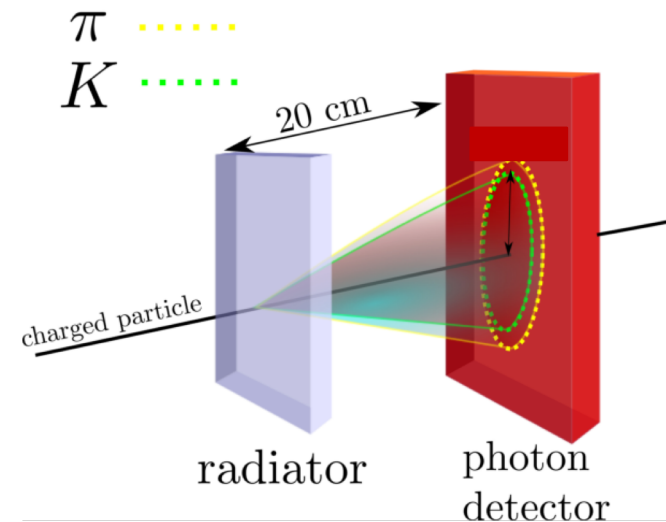
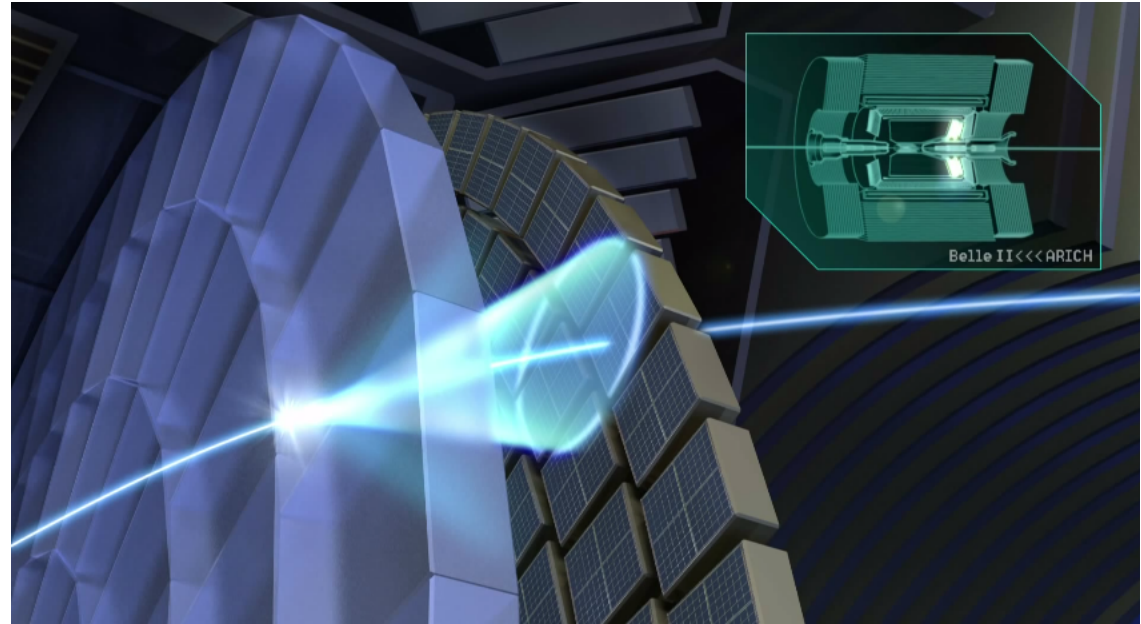
Particle ID homework problem #1:

In the forward endcap region of Belle II is the ARICH:

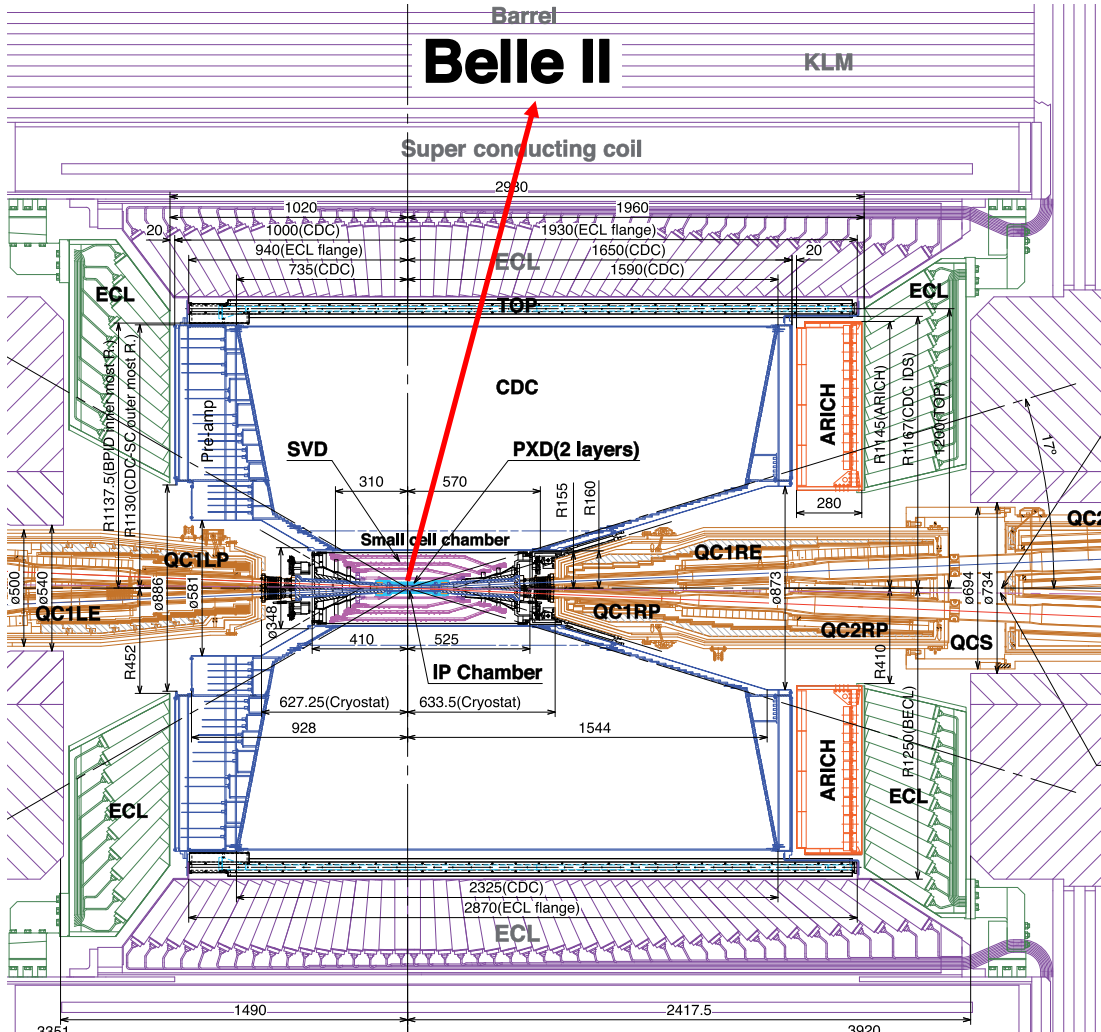
4.0 cm of aerogel radiator, followed by an array of finely segmented photodetectors. The separation is 20.0 cm (see figure) and $n(\text{aerogel}) = 1.050$.

What is the difference in radii of the “Cerenkov rings” at the photodetectors for:

- π^+ and K^+ with $p = 3.0 \text{ GeV}/c$?
- for π^+ and K^+ with $p = 4.0 \text{ GeV}/c$?
- what are the mean γ yields for these four cases?



Particle ID homework problem #2:



For a μ^- to reach the KLM, it must pass through (at least) the following material:

- iTOP quartz: 2.0 cm @ $\rho = 2.201 \text{ g/cm}^3$*
- ECL Csl crystal: 30 cm @ $\rho = 4.51 \text{ g/cm}^3$*
- magnet coil Alum.: 10 cm @ $\rho = 2.710 \text{ g/cm}^3$*
- KLM iron (1 layer): 4.7 cm @ $\rho = 7.874 \text{ g/cm}^3$*

What is the minimum energy required for a “minimum-ionizing” μ^-

$$\langle -dE/dx \rangle \approx 2 \text{ MeV} / (\text{g/cm}^2)$$

to reach the first scintillator layer of the KLM?