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**Update of the SoLID Cerenkov  
detector for PVDIS:  
CSI coated GEM option  
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# Outline

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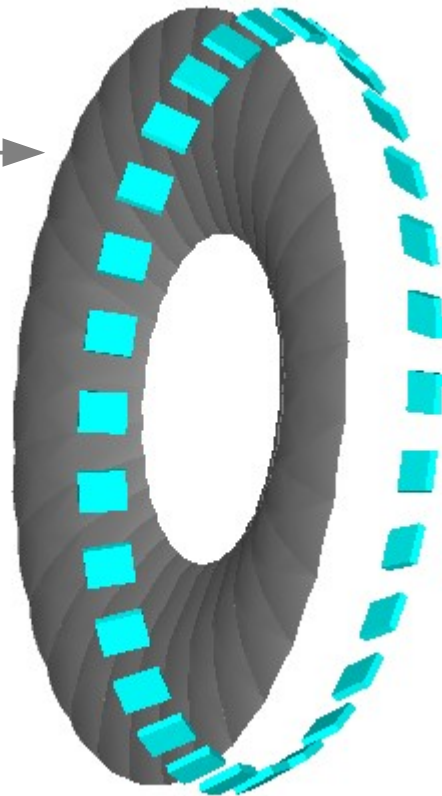
- **Update of the detector layout**
- **Update of the simulation details**
- **Results**
- **Summary, perspectives**

# Update of the detector layout

Similar to what existed before, but some dimensions have changed:

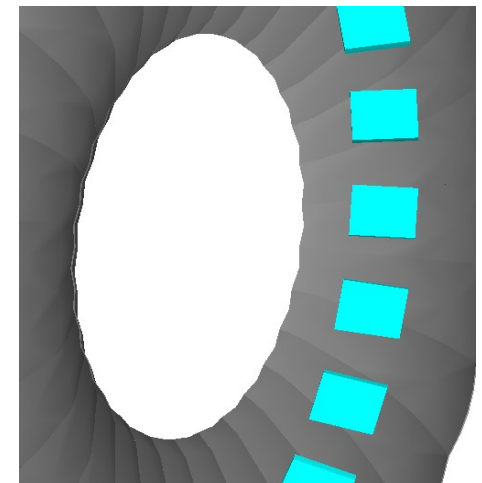
Mirrors: →  
“Coverage” from  
19 to 37 degrees  
(relative to the  
center of the hall)  
Note: there  
curvature radius is  
different from the  
mirrors in the PMT  
option

No Winston cones



Observer position:  
210 cm away from beamline  
240 cm downstream the  
center of the hall

→ CSI coated GEM from  
PHENIX:  
23 x 27 cm<sup>2</sup>  
“long” dimension along z  
“short” along phi

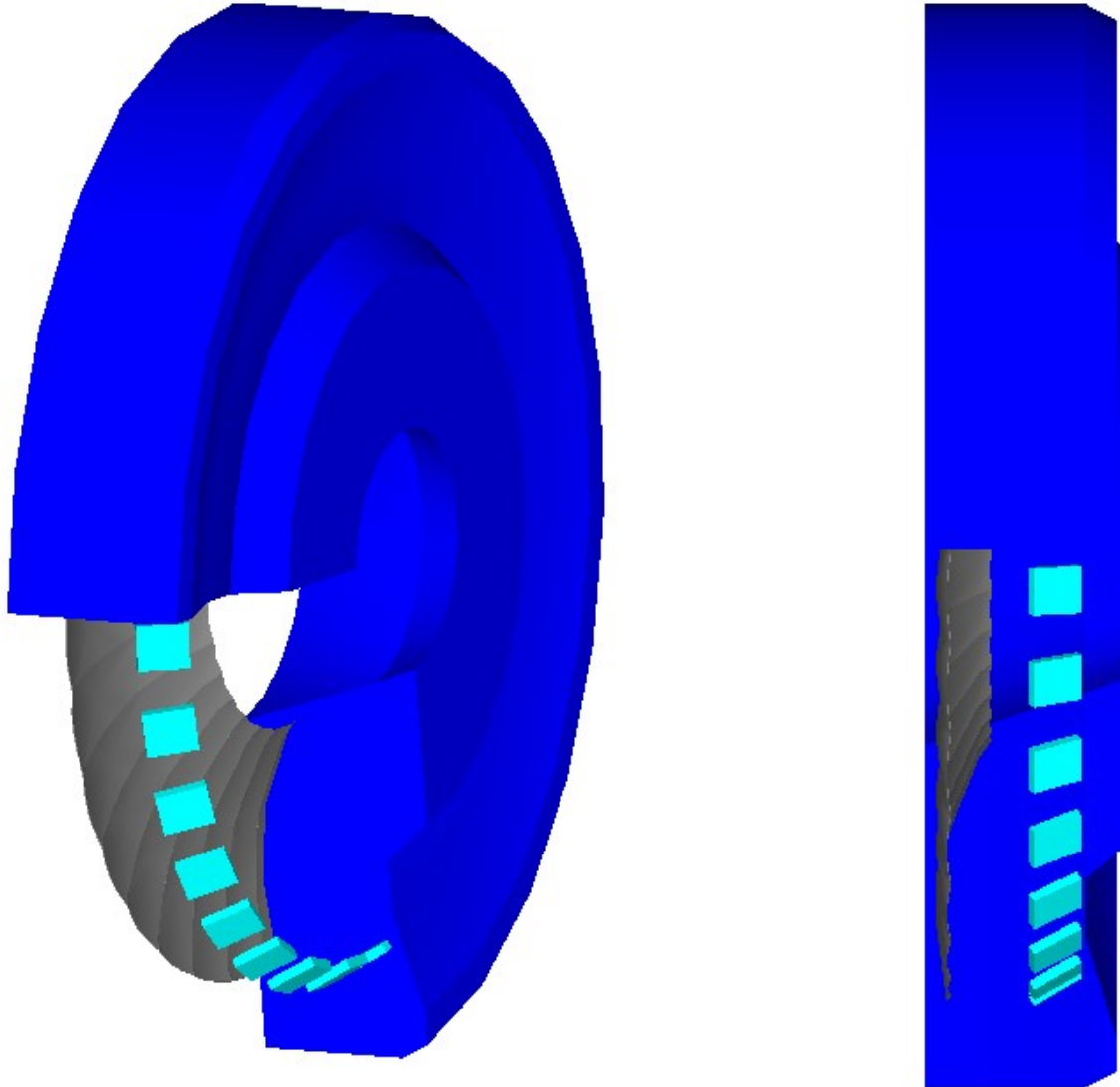


Note: use of CF<sub>4</sub> is mandatory  
(C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>10</sub> is a quencher for GEMs)

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Compatibility of this setup has been checked: OK



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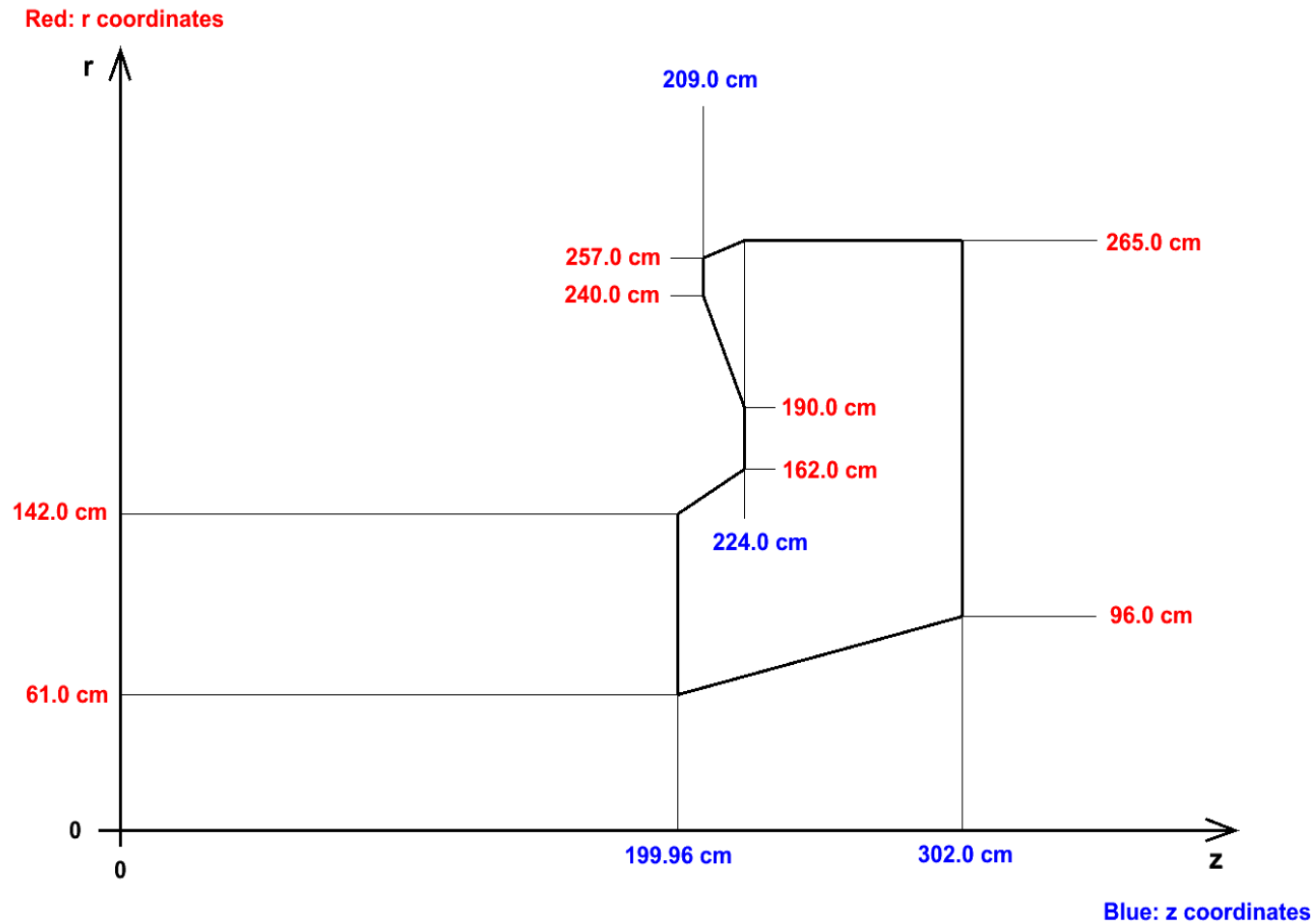
“Big” issue to be expected: until now, we assumed we would get the BaBar solenoid to design our tank:

We may not get the BaBar solenoid, but the CLEO solenoid instead...  
(Actually need to clarify that... heard about CLEO, but would it be CDF for instance ?)

The issue is: ...

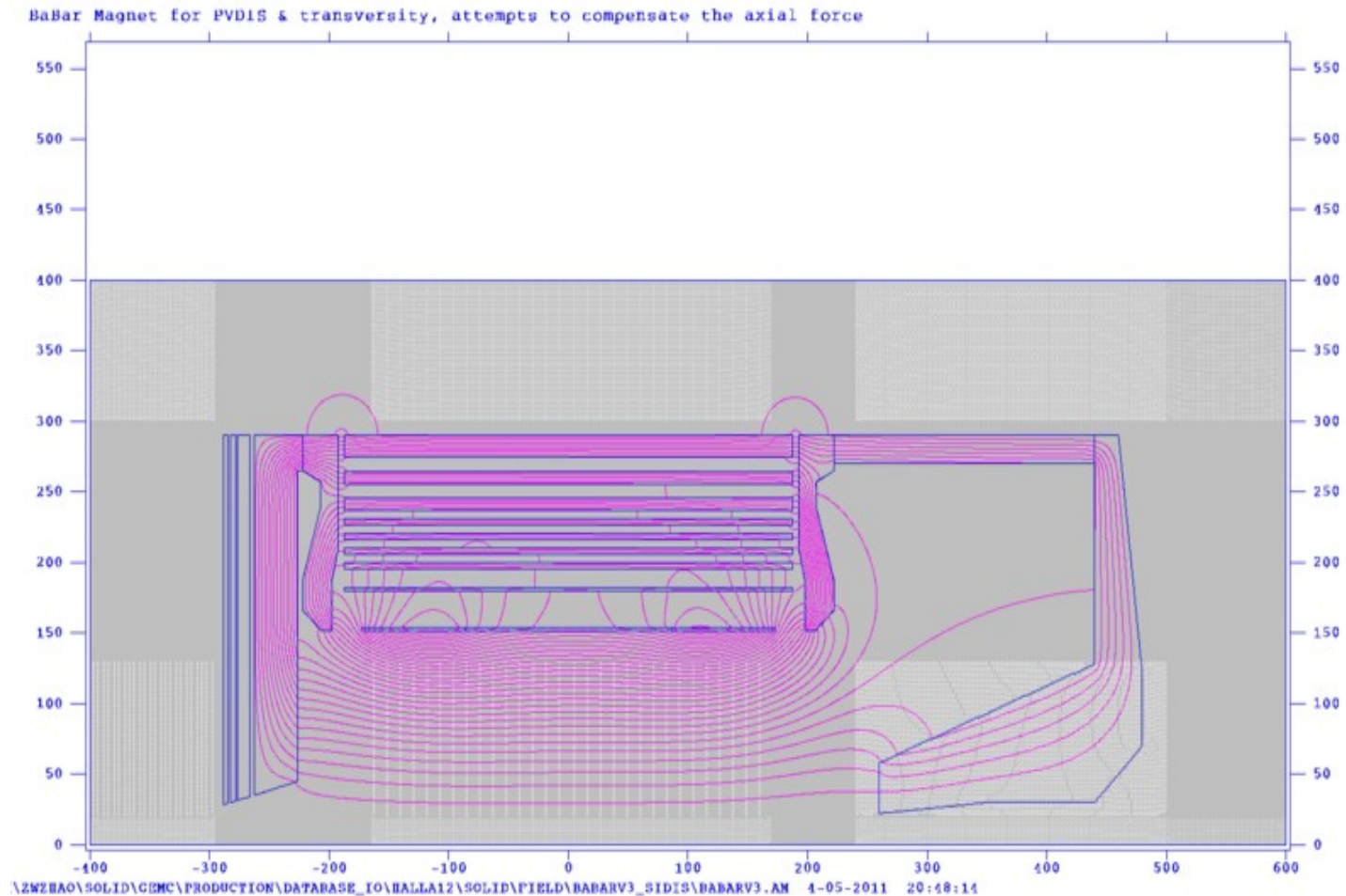
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The gas tank is pretty big...



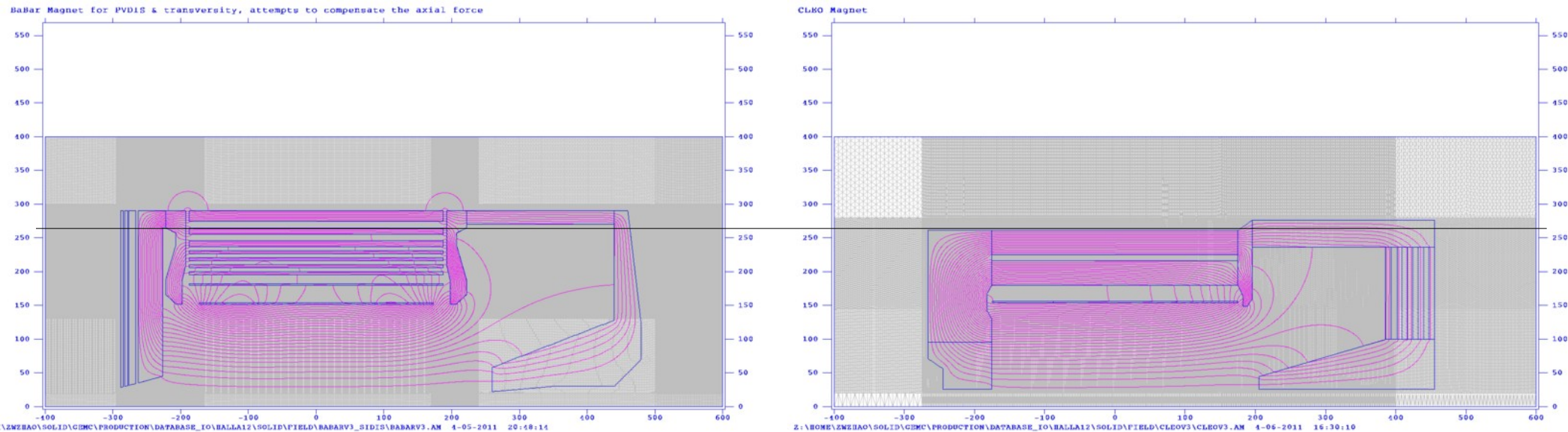
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... but the BaBar magnet yoke is pretty capacious



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which is not (yet) the case of the CLEO magnet yoke !



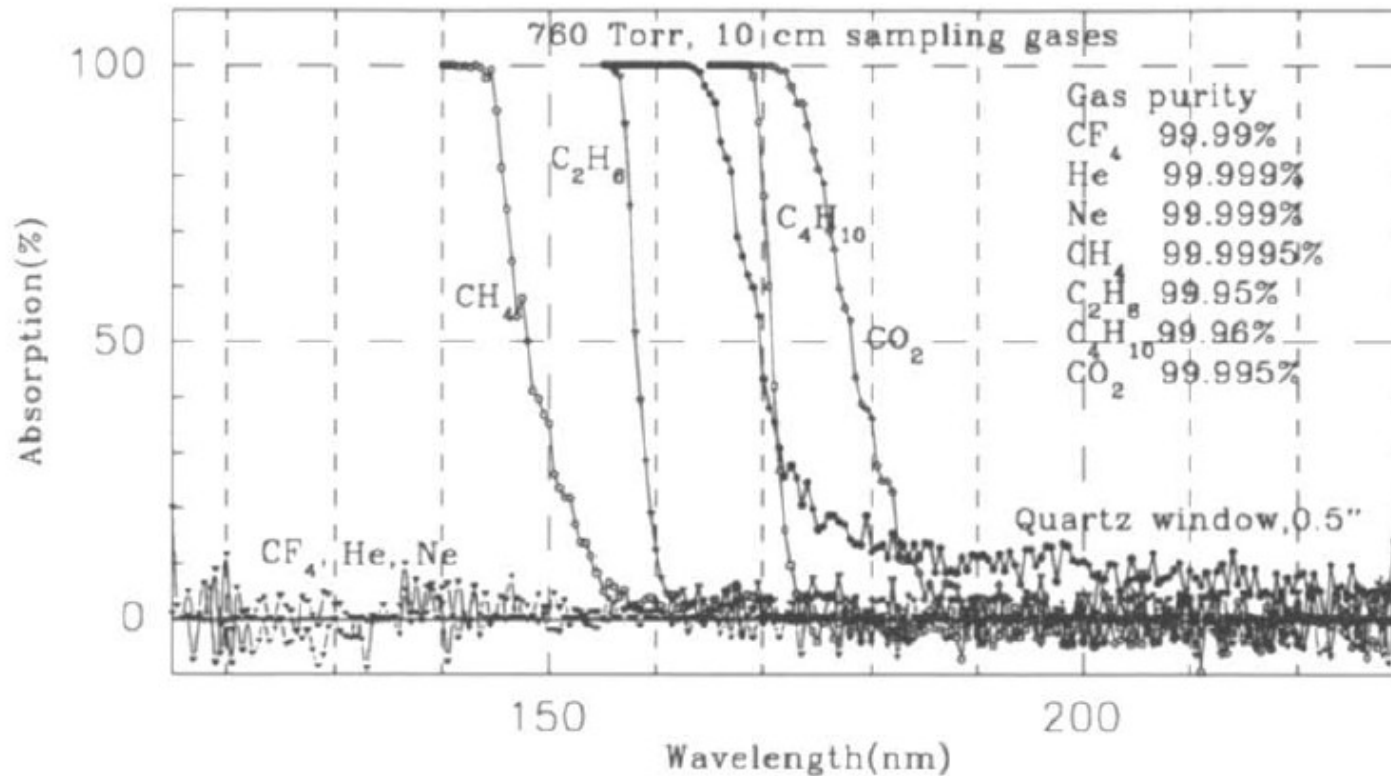
This implies:

- 1) a need precise dimensions of the CLEO yoke to “redesign” the gas tank
- 2) OR a new design for the CLEO end cap yoke which would imply a new field map



# Update of the simulation details

Need to set the absorption length for CF<sub>4</sub> (but transmission is close to 100 % anyway)



[C. Lu, K.T. Mc Donald, NIM A 343, (1994), pp 135-151]

# Update of the simulation details

Started to set up realistic surfaces in the GEANT 4 simulation:  
Mirrors surfaces include reflectivities, various types of reflections, and the layer of  $\text{MgF}_2$  coating, necessary to preserve reflectivities at short wavelengths

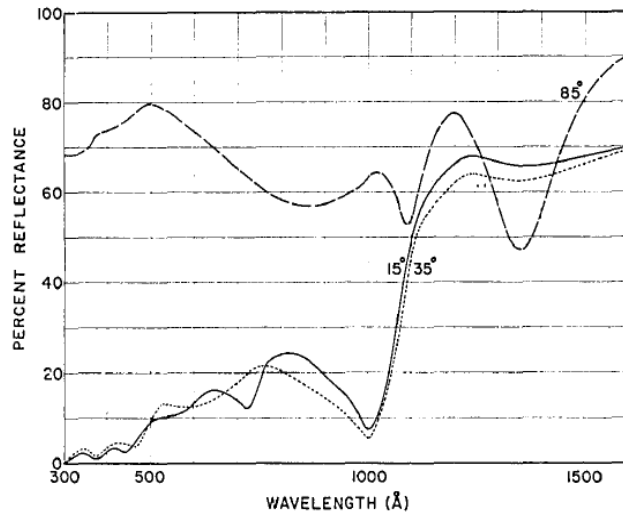
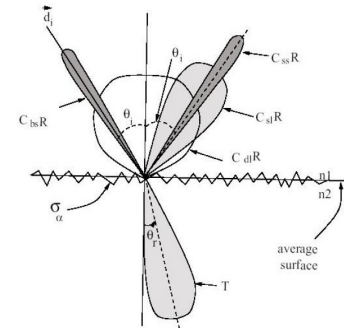
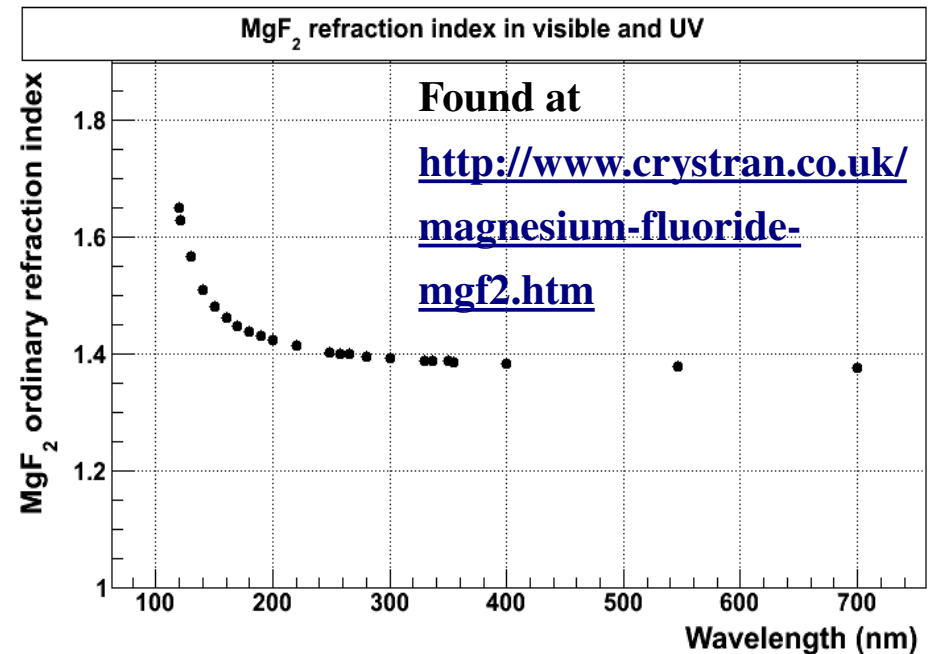


Fig. 1. Measured reflectance of an Al +  $\text{MgF}_2$  mirror from 300 Å to 1500 Å. The  $\text{MgF}_2$  thickness is 150 Å.

[W. R. Hunter *et al.*,  
Applied Optics Vol. 10, No. 3 (1971),  
pp 540-544]



# Update of the simulation details

Not really figured out how to treat GEM surfaces properly:  
GEM surfaces still only include efficiencies

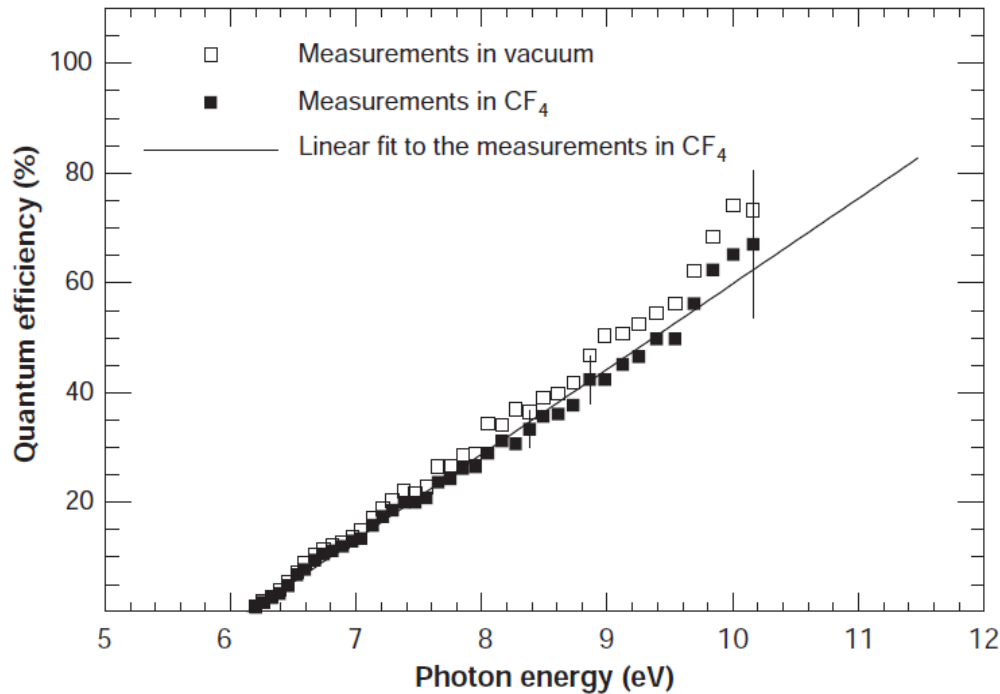
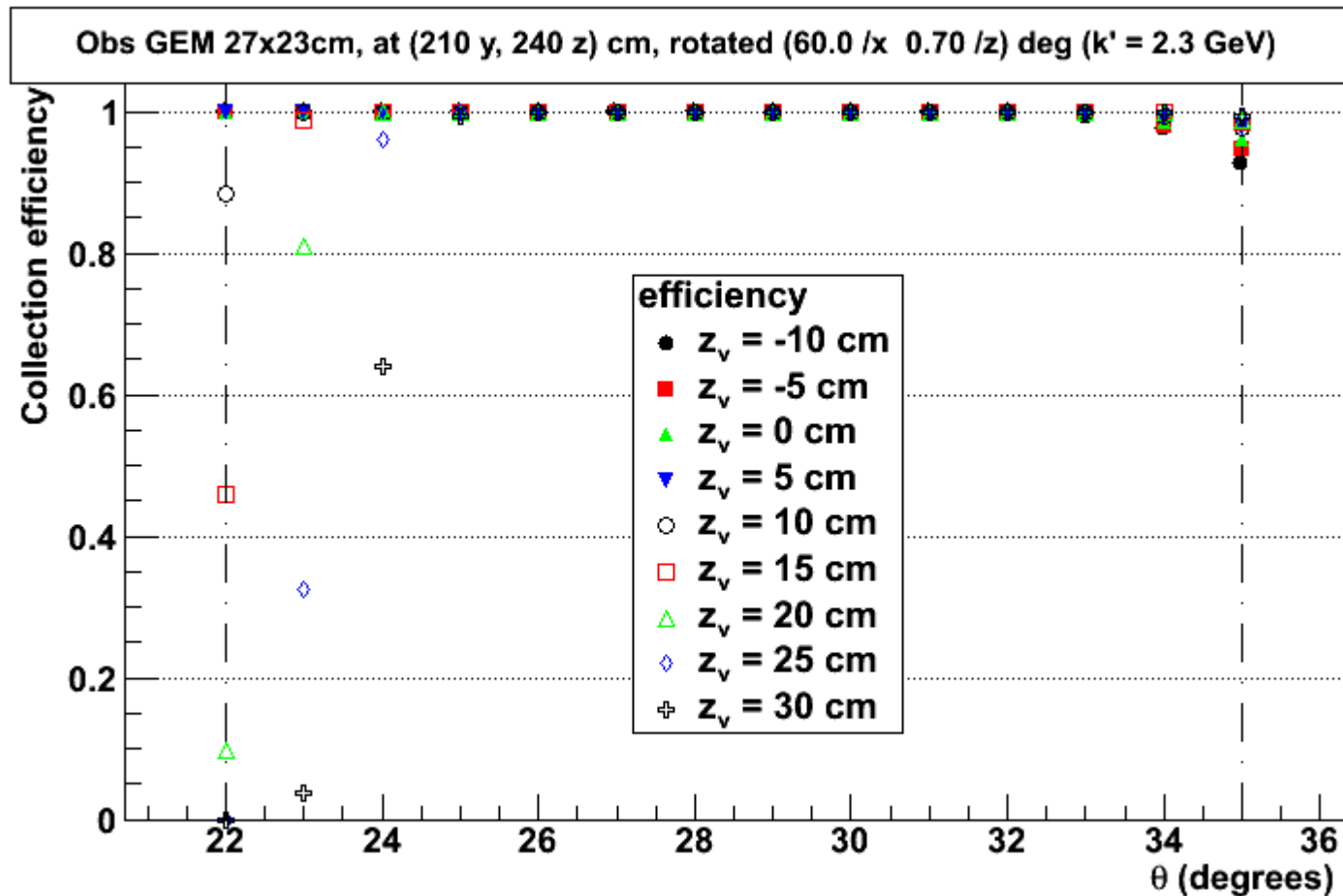


Fig. 9. Absolute quantum efficiency of CsI in vacuum and CF<sub>4</sub> over the bandwidth 6.2–10.3 eV.

[Z. Fraenkel *et al.*, “A Hadron Blind Detector for PHENIX experiment at RHIC”, NIM A546 (2005), pp 466-480]

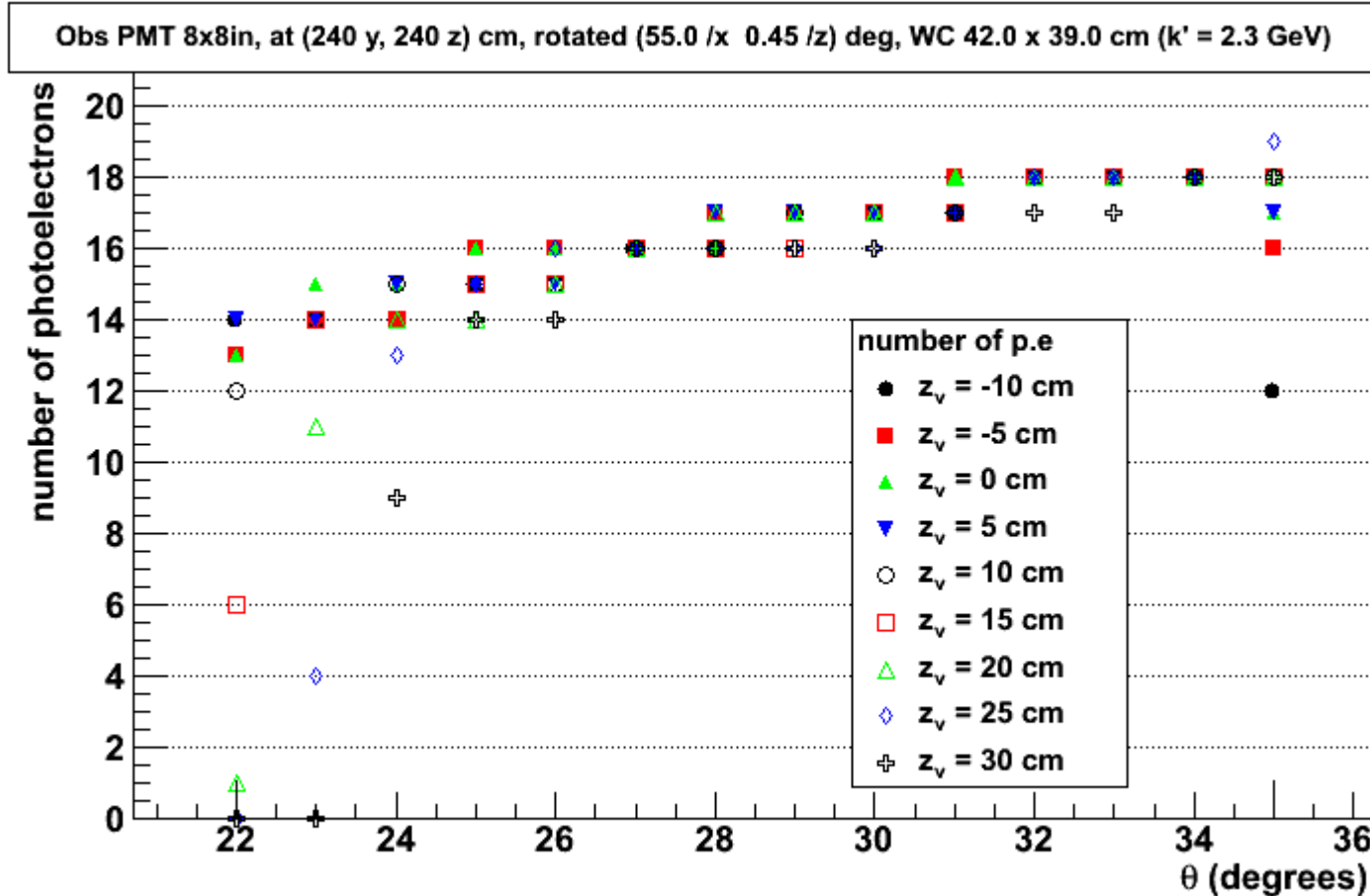
# Results

Efficiency (with perfect surfaces at 100 % reflectivity for mirrors, and 100% efficiency for PMTs). Optimized at  $k' = 2.3$  GeV.



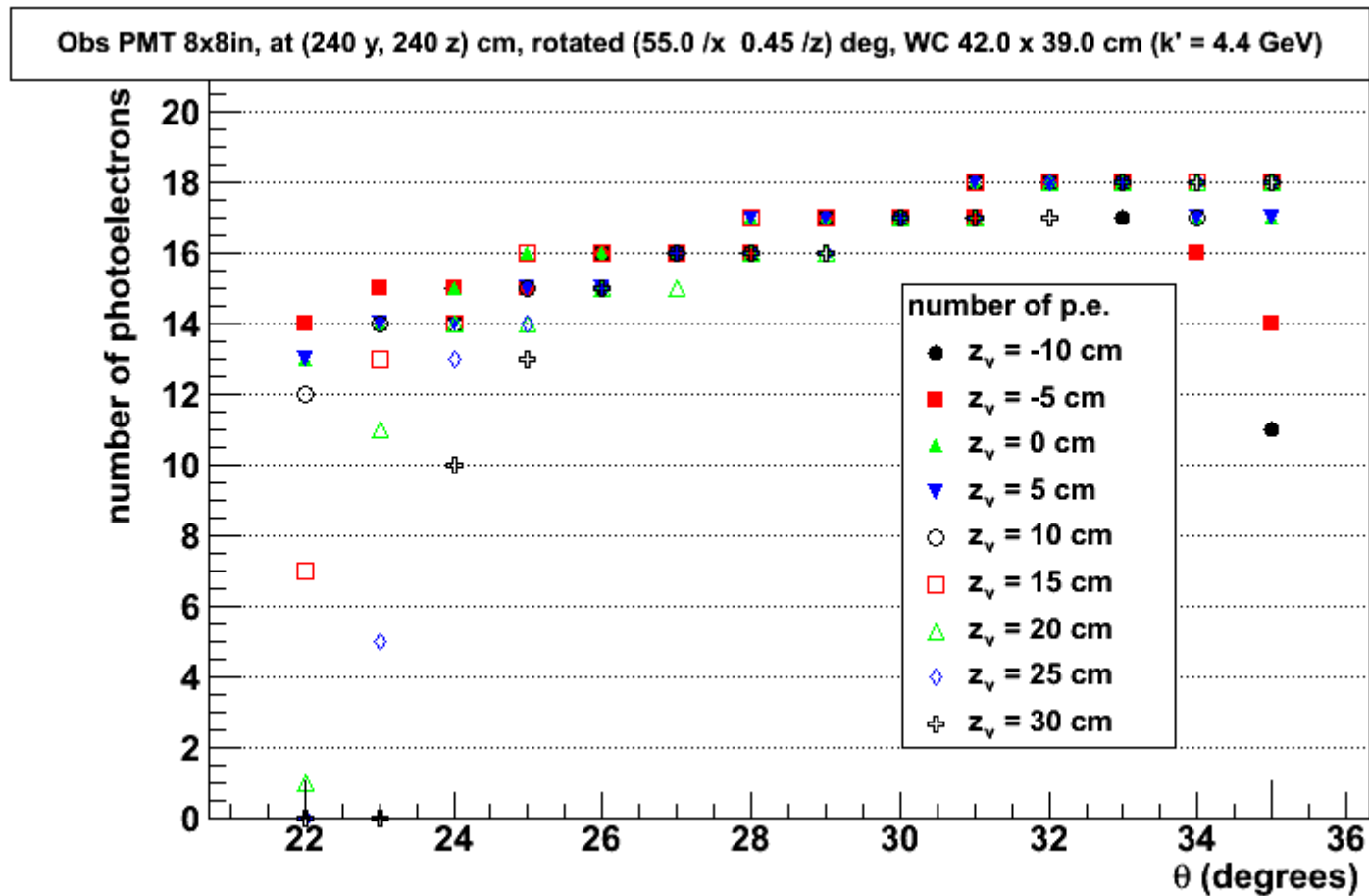
# Results

Number of photoelectrons with  $CF_4$  (dead GEM area - holes - taken into account by a coefficient 0.54) at  $k' = 2.3$  GeV.  
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# Results

Number of photoelectrons with  $\text{CF}_4$  (dead GEM area - holes - taken into account by a coefficient 0.54) at  $k' = 4.4$  GeV (detection threshold for pions).  $\Rightarrow$  Acceptable but not comfortable !



# Results

As a cross check to those numbers of photoelectron, we compared the yield of raw number of photons produced on the path length of the electron in the gas given by GEANT 4 to the number of photons given by the integral of Frank-Tamm equation over the path computed by Mathematica (courtesy of Brad Sawatzky):

=> estimation better than 8 %

GEM option (CF<sub>4</sub>, n = 1.00046, 133 photons/m):

z = 0

| theta(deg) | L_Gas(cm) | N_th | N_G4 | N_G4-N_th /N (%) |
|------------|-----------|------|------|------------------|
| 22.0       | 90.1      | 120  | 128  | 6.7              |
| 35.0       | 115.0     | 152  | 164  | 7.9              |

PMT option (C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>10</sub>, n = 1.0015, 454 photons/m):

z = 0

| theta(deg) | L_Gas(cm) | N_th | N_G4 | N_G4-N_th /N (%) |
|------------|-----------|------|------|------------------|
| 22.0       | 65.7      | 298  | 307  | 3.0              |
| 35.0       | 112.3     | 510  | 481  | 5.7              |

# Summary

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- Simulation still needs little bit of refinement.
- GEM detectors from PHENIX would do the job pretty well in terms of efficiency;
- The number of photons starts to be critically low because of the mandatory use of  $\text{CF}_4$  with CSI coated GEMs; An alternate way to do would be to use  $\text{C}_4\text{F}_{10}$  and a window to isolate the GEMs (COMPASS) but that would signify:
  - \* A cut-off on the shortest wavelengths, where the QE of CSI is maximal (i.e. not necessarily more photons)
  - \* increase of costs (several gas purifying systems, etc...)



# Prospectives

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## TO DO

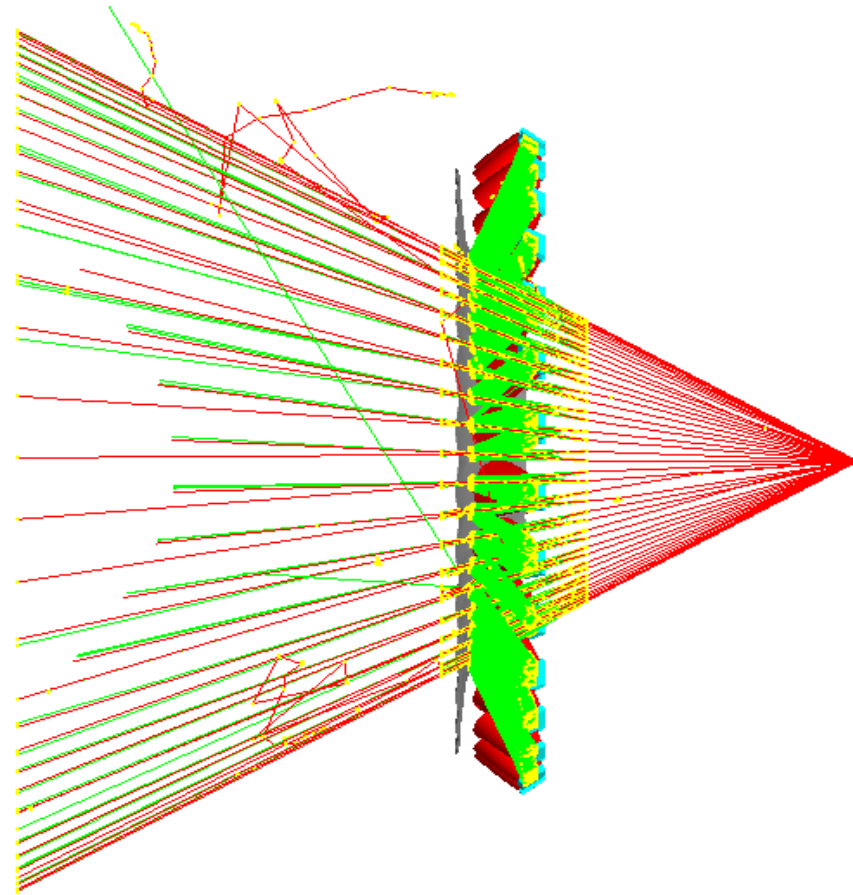
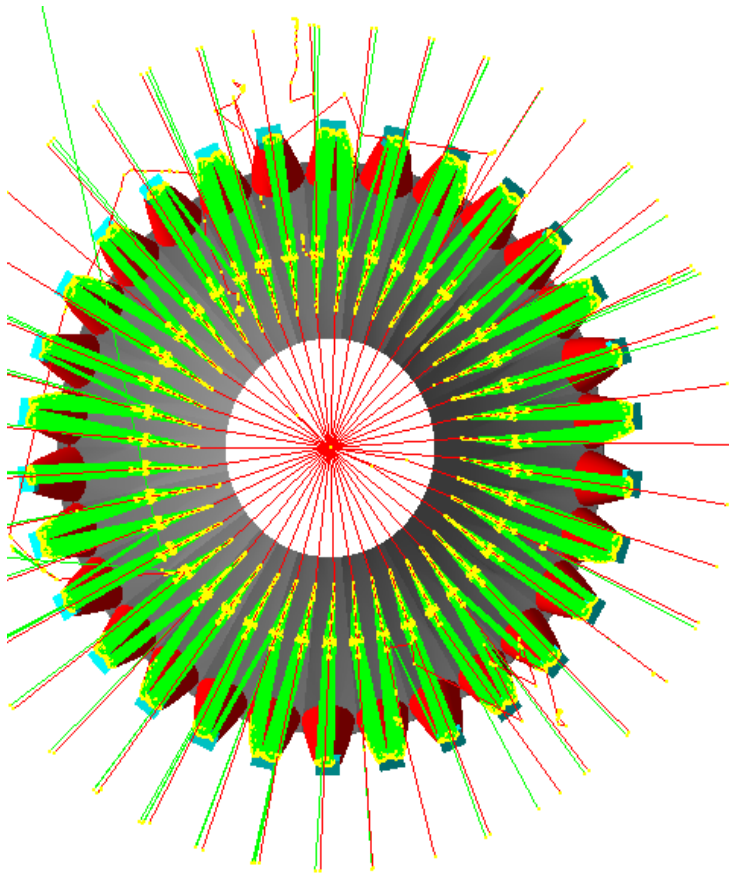
- May need to redo the optimization, regarding to the magnet we will get
- Try to get a cost estimation for the mirrors
  
- For CSI coated GEM option:
  - \* Set realistic surfaces to the GEMs
  - \* Test the “C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>10</sub> / window alternative”
  - \* Start to think about a plan to test GEMs
  
- For PMT option:
  - \* still need to optimize detector with 6x6 inches PMT arrays, and set realistic surfaces to them.

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**BACK UP**

# Collection efficiencies

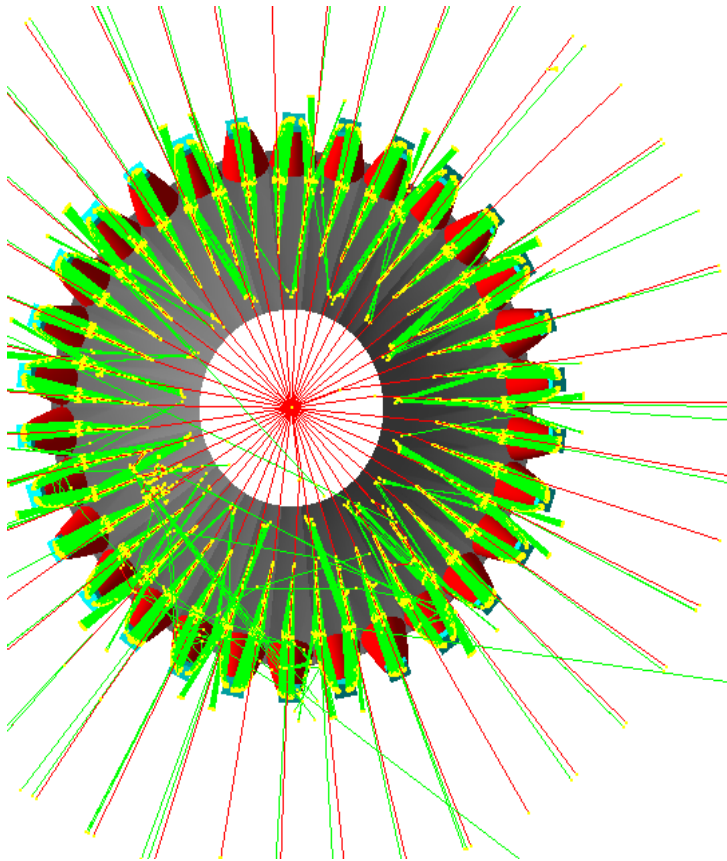
In the middle of the acceptance ( $z = +10$  cm,  $\theta = 29$  deg)



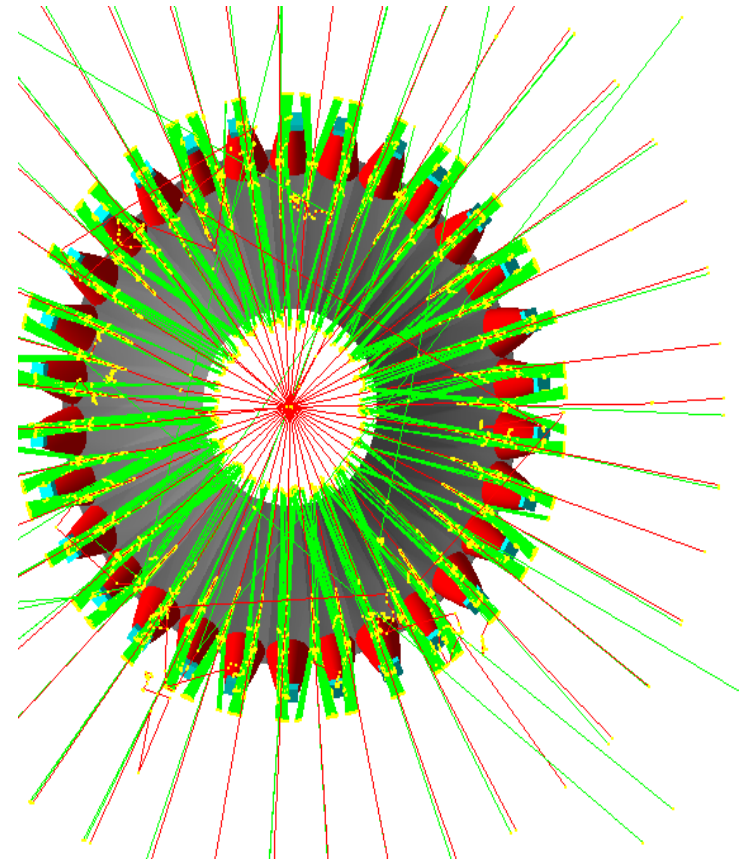
# Collection efficiencies

At the higher edges of the acceptance ( $\theta = 35$  deg)

$z = +10$  cm



$z = +30$  cm

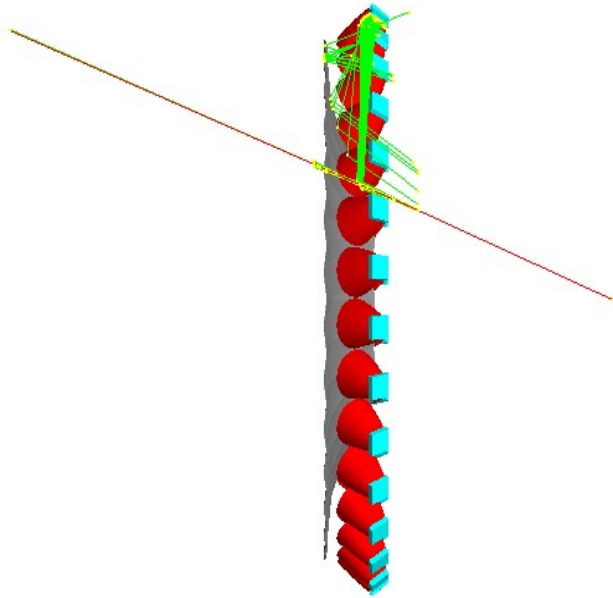


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# Collection efficiencies

At the lower edges of the acceptance ( $\theta = 22$  deg)

$z = +10$  cm



$z = -10$  cm

