# SIDIS (Light) Gas Cerenkov

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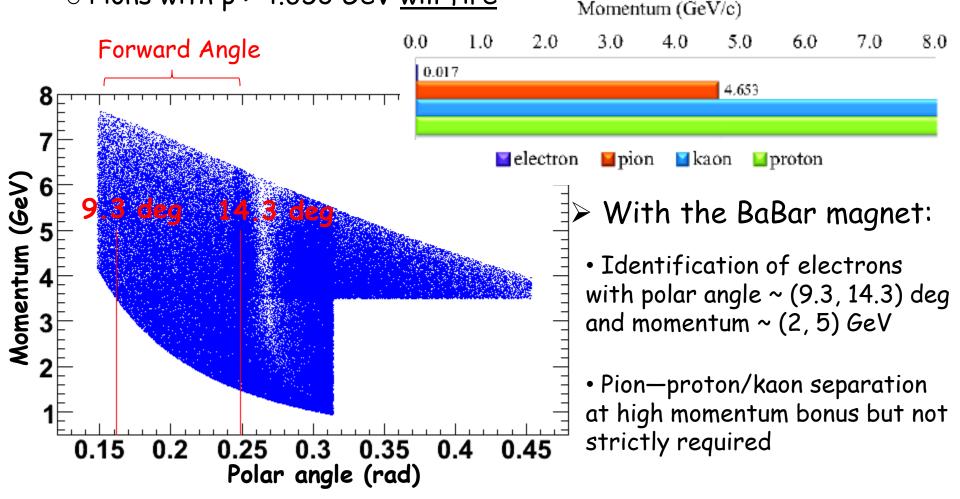
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# Outline

- > Why SIDIS needs a light gas Cherenkov?
- > Initial design idea (Yi Qiang)
- Current design:
  - Design concept: the mirrors
  - Focusing: efficiency no magnetic field
  - Focusing: efficiency with magnetic field (BaBar), positive and negative particles
- Light Gas Cherenkov: electron identification
  - Collection efficiency with cones: how small of a PMT could we use? Probably 3 inch ... (work in progress)
  - Quick and rough estimation of number of photoelectrons (work in progress)
- > Few thoughts on the heavy gas Cherenkov (work in progress)

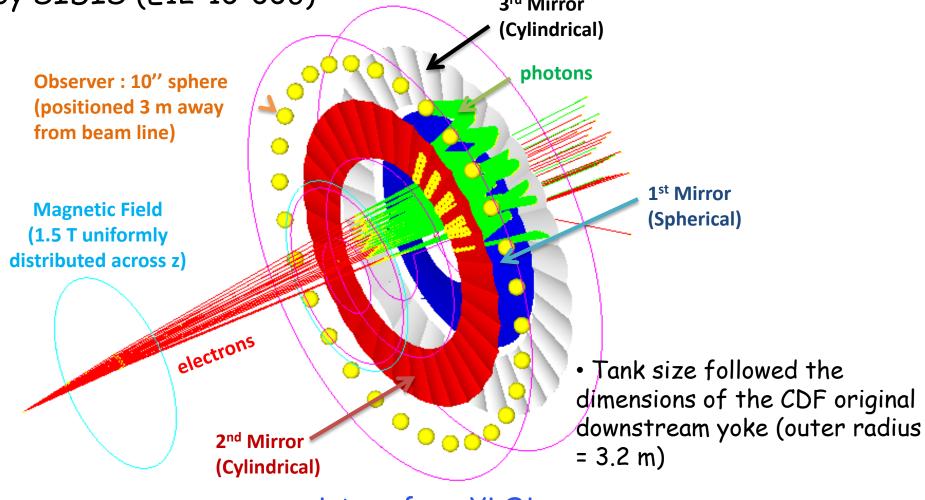
# Light Gas Cerenkov: Purpose

- Electron identification at forward angle
  - The Light Gas Cerenkov:  $CO_2 @ 1 \text{ atm}, n = 1.00045$ 
    - Electrons with p > 0.017 GeV will fire
    - Pions with p > 4.653 GeV will fire



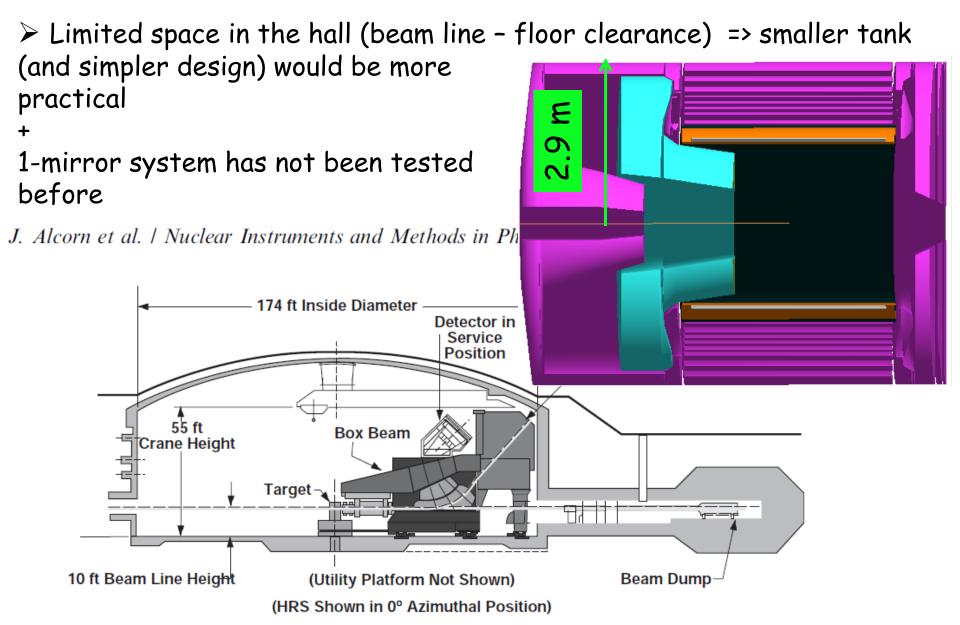
# Initial Design: 3-Mirror System

Developed by Yi Qiang in Geant4: a viable optical system with optimal focusing for the polar angle and momentum range required by SIDIS (E12-10-006)



picture from Yi Qiang

# Light Gas Cherenkov in SoLID



. Schematic cross section of Hall A with one of the HRS spectrometers in the (fictitious) 0° positic

# Current Design: 1-Mirror System

> Use only one spherical mirror to focus the Cherenkov light onto PMTs

> If it works, it has practical advantages over the 3-mirror system:

- Bounce off 1 mirror instead of 3 => fewer losses of Cherenkov light
- Simpler => cheaper, easier to build/install/maintain
- More space in the tank => more flexibility on PMT positioning

> Spherical mirror curvature:

 $x_i =$ incidentray on mirror

 $R = \frac{2}{\cos \theta (\frac{1}{x_i} + \frac{1}{x_r})} \quad x_i = \text{incidentray on mirror} \\ x_r = \text{reflected ray} \\ \theta = \text{anglebetween incidentray}$ and normal to the mirror

Focusing optimized for central ray: for SIDIS kinematics (BaBar) => (9.3 + 14.3)/2 = 11.8 deg

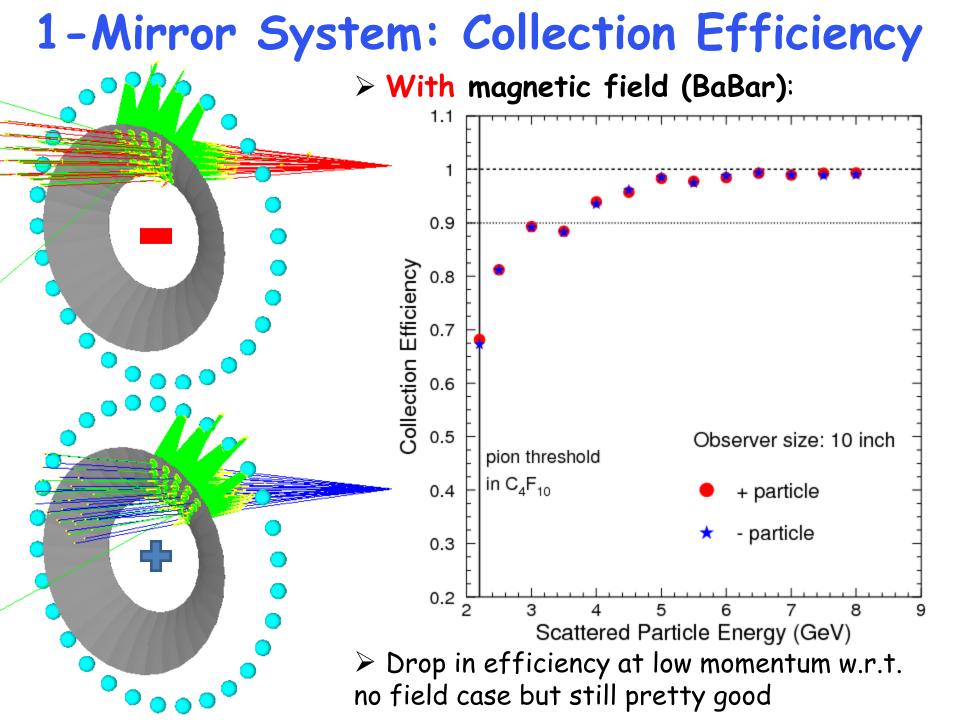
Assumes small angle between central ray and rays corresponding to min and max polar angles

#### 1-Mirror System: Collection Efficiency > No magnetic field: Sample the entire range in polar angle 1.02 Sample different mirror regions in the azimuthal coverage Observer size: 10 inch no field 0.92 1 mirror 0.9 З 5 Scattered Electron Energy (GeV) > Very good focusing for the whole kinematic range

### **Tank and Mirror**

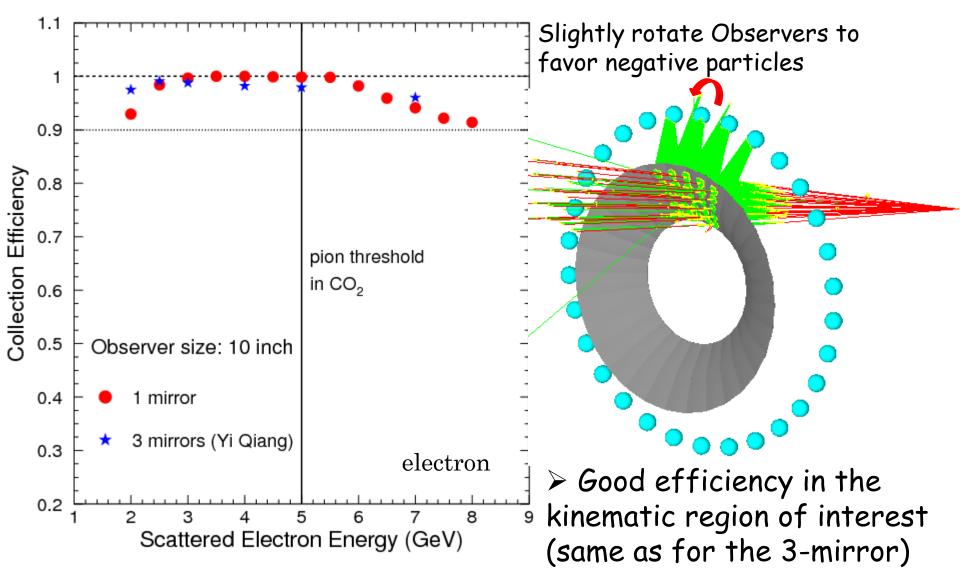
> Tank: same dimensions as in the Geant3 simulation (proposal)

"small" spherical mirror > Mirror: "big" mirror made of 30 "small" spherical mirrors (30 sectors)

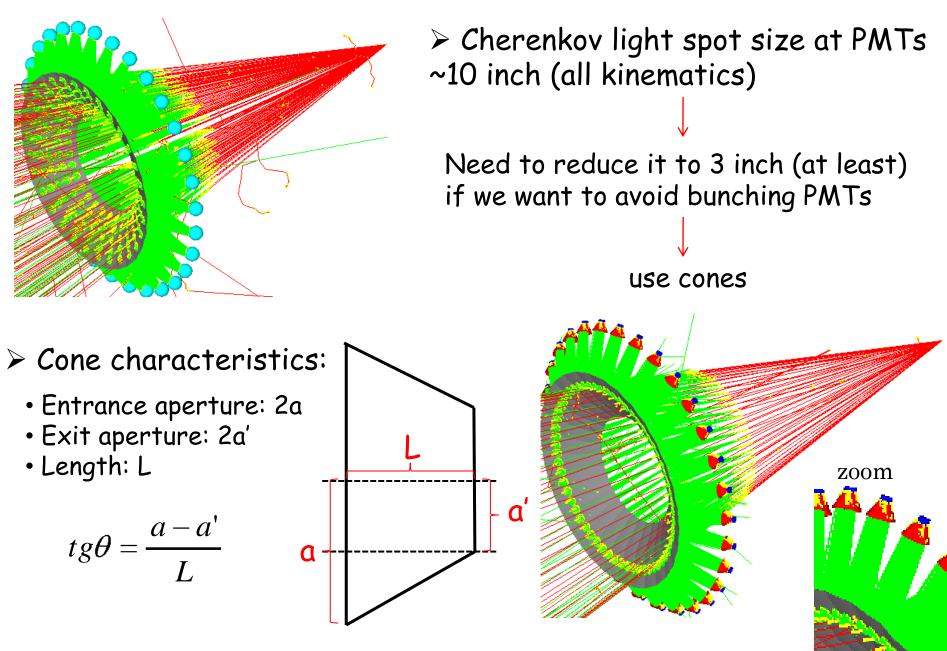


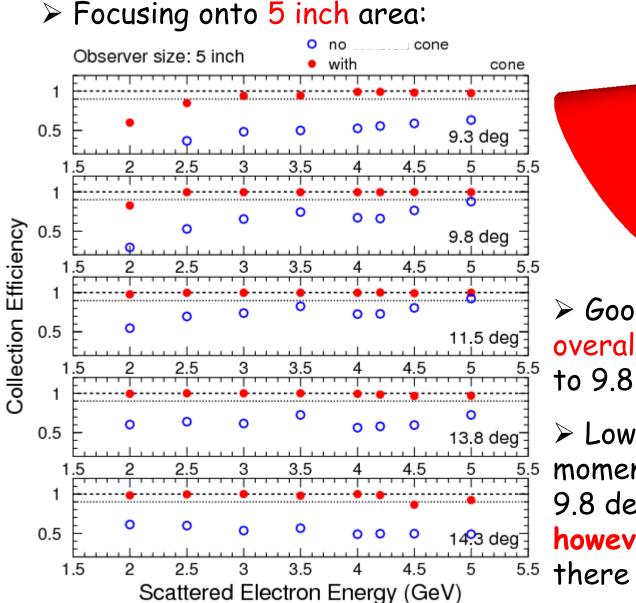
# **Electron Collection Efficiency**

For now (reminder of talk) focus on electron detection: Light Gas Cherenkov



# Focusing onto PMTs



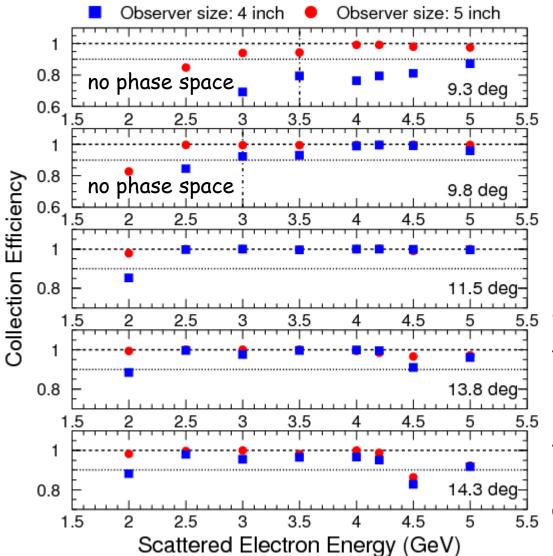


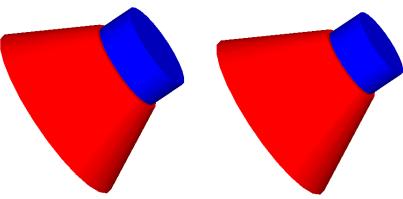
a = 5 inch a' = 2.5 inch L = 4.7 inch

Good collection efficiency
 overall (> 90%) from 14.3 deg
 to 9.8 deg

 Lower efficiency at low momentum (< 3 GeV) for</li>
 9.8 deg and 9.3 deg
 however no phase space
 there for SIDIS

#### Focusing onto 4 inch area:





Keep the same cone angle => make the cone longer and the entrance aperture just slightly smaller

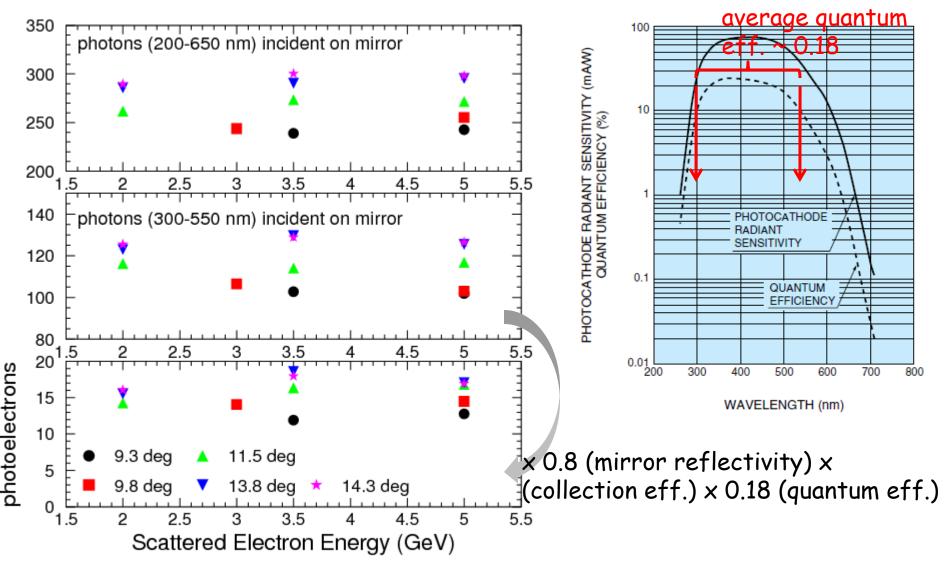
Efficiency drops
 significantly (by at most 20%) only at the lowest
 angle - 9.3 deg

Focusing onto 4 inch area: examples

2.5 GeV electron with Polar angle = 13.8 deg 5 GeV electron with Polar angle = 13.8 deg

Problem at low angle, low momentum: multiple bounces off the cone

Will try to go to 3 inch (to do) ... until then:
 Quick and rough estimation of number of photoelectrons:



# Light Gas Cherenkov: Summary

> 1-Mirror design: the way to go

To do (short range plan):

**Optics**:

Reduce the light spot size to 3 inch and still keep good collection efficiency

#### PMTs:

Find out if we can get 3 inch PMTs (resistant in magnetic field; good quantum efficiency at low wavelengths)

#### > PMTs in magnetic field:

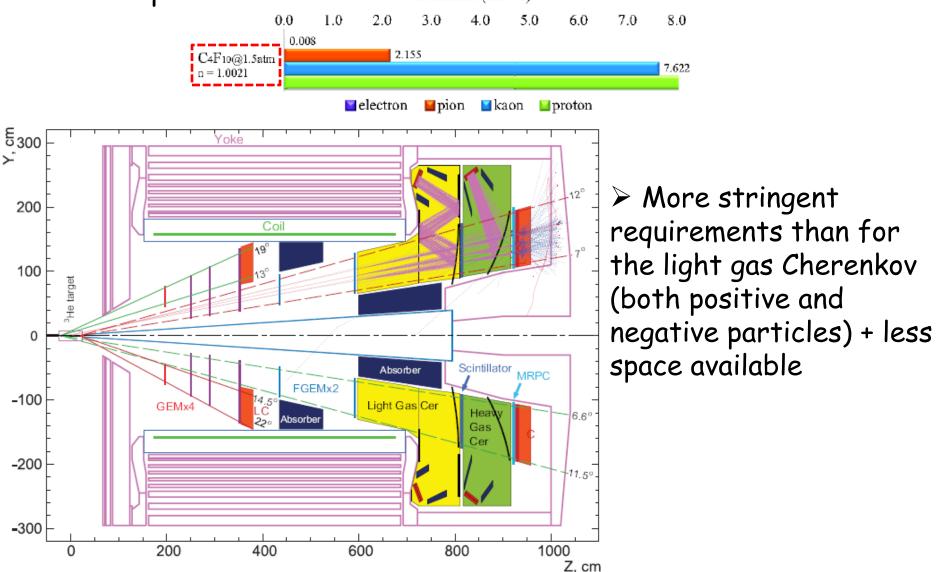
- How big is the field at the current PMT position?
- If not acceptable, find a "magic spot" to place the PMT...
- $\succ$  Realistic simulation of PMTs: fold in the quantum efficiency and get a more realistic estimation for the signal

#### Simulation:

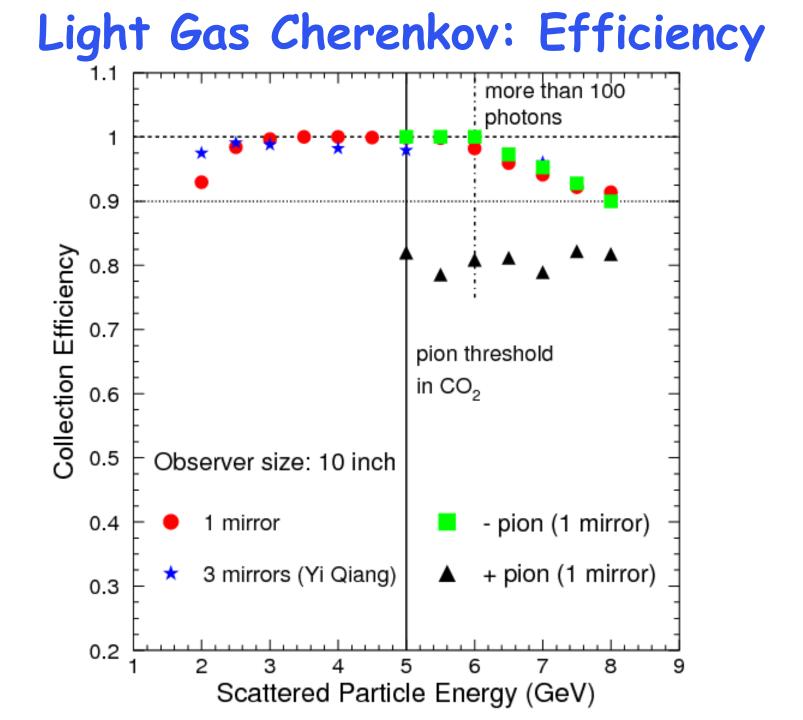
> Migrate to GEMC and write routines to fish out the detector response

### To Do: Heavy Gas Cherenkov

#### Requirements for SIDIS (E12-10-006): separate pions from kaons and protons Momentum (GeV/c)



# **Backup Slides**



# Light Gas Cherenkov: 4 inch Cone

