



# Cherenkov Detectors for SoLID

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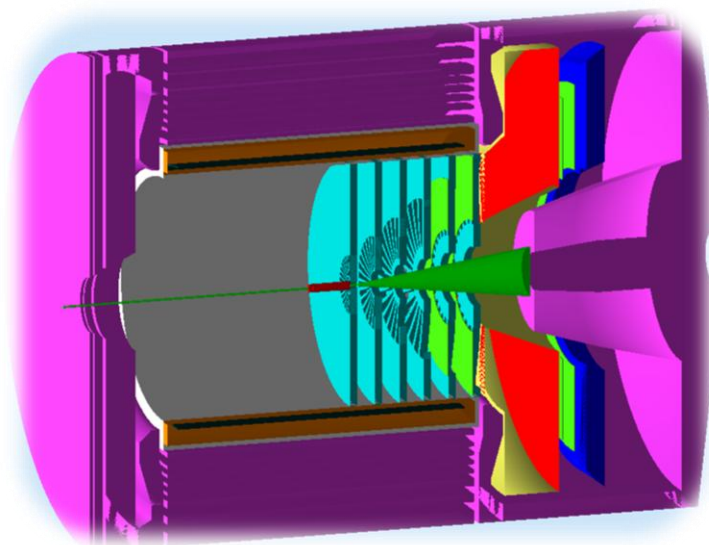
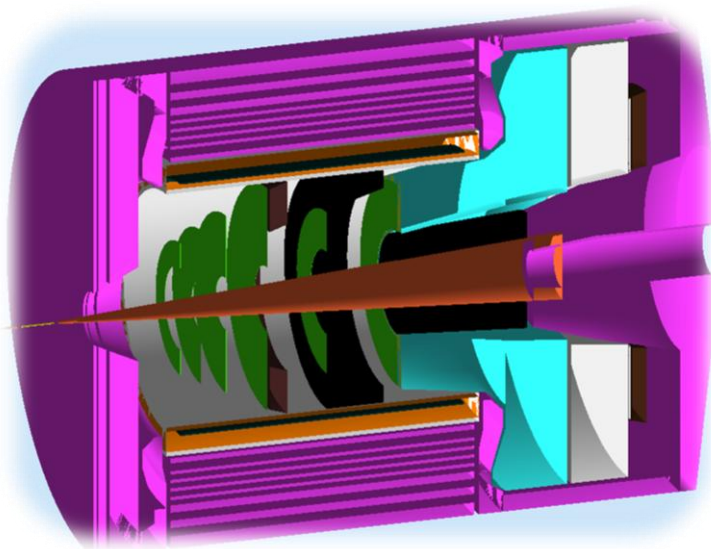
# Requirements

→ **Threshold Cherenkov:** { **electron-pion separation:** SIDIS & PVDIS  
**pion-kaon/proton separation:** SIDIS

**SIDIS electron Cherenkov:** 1.5 – 4.5 GeV

SIDIS pion Cherenkov: 2.5 – 7.5 GeV

**PVDIS Cherenkov:** 2 – 3 GeV



→  **$2\pi$  coverage** (SIDIS)

→ **Perform** in non-negligible **magnetic field environment**

→ **Simple design:** cost effective, easy to install, operate

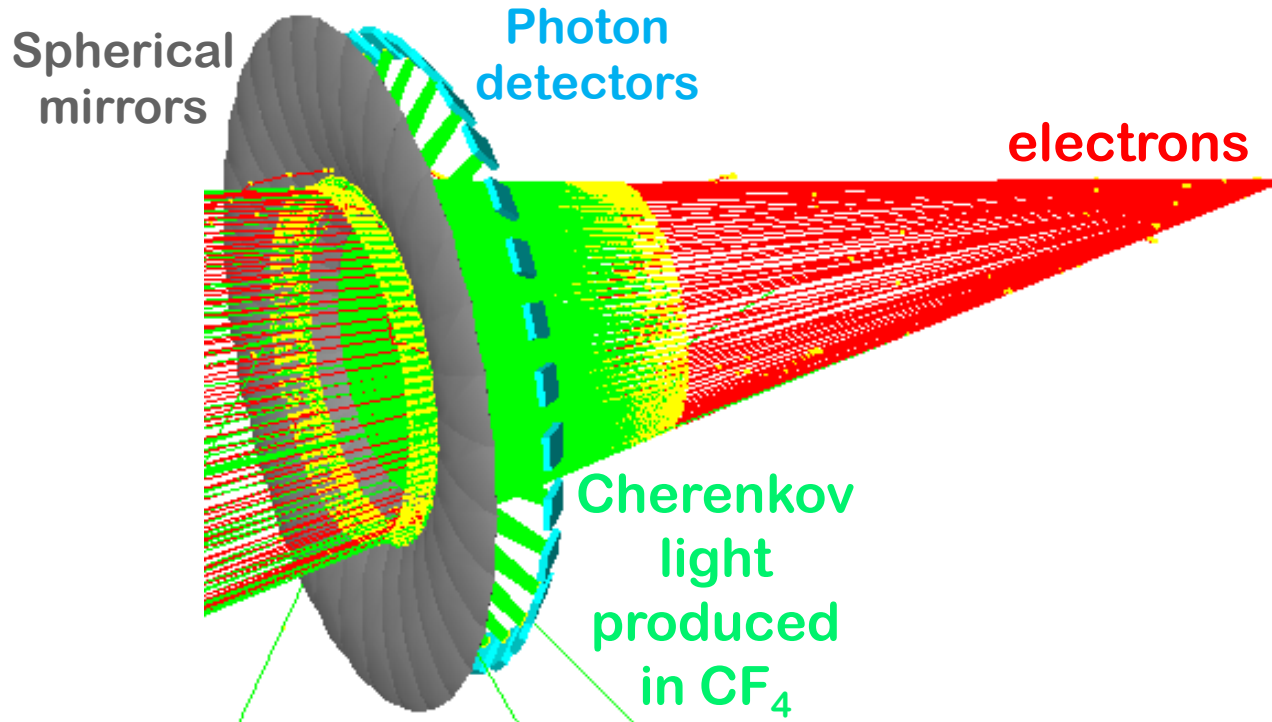




# Design: Mirrors

It follows the current sector division of SoLID

→ **Mirrors**: ring of 30 spherical mirrors, each over 1 m long



→ Good focusing of Cherenkov light on small size photon detectors

→ Each spherical mirror will be manufactured in 2 parts  
(manufacturer and vacuum deposition chamber limitation)

→ We consider materials other than glass; light and rigid to remove the need for double-edge support for no impact on the physics phase space





# Design: Photon Detectors

## → Photon detectors:

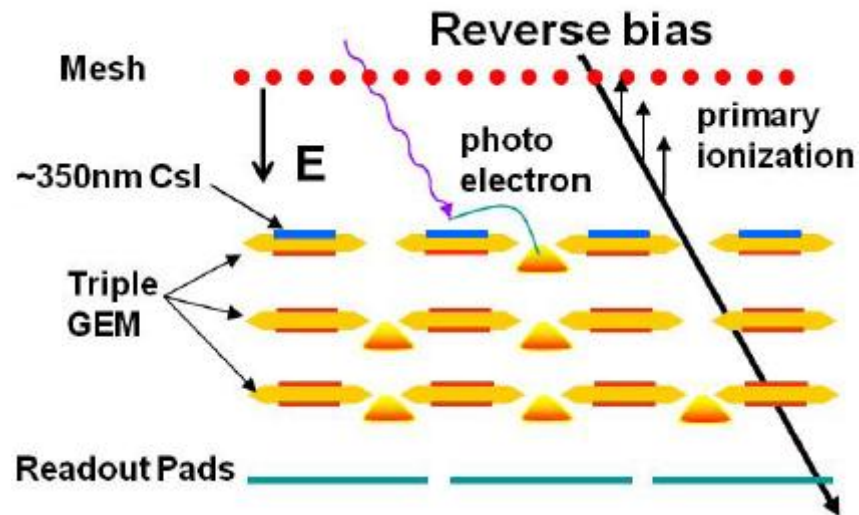
### GEMs + CsI (used by PHENIX)

→ Insensitive to magnetic field

→ CsI: sensitive to deep UV light, high quantum efficiency (up to 60-70% at 110 nm)

→ We need:

- Pure gas transparent to UV light
- Mirrors with good reflectivity in deep UV



### PMTs

→ Sensitive to magnetic field

→ Photocathodes typically sensitive to visible light mostly

→ We need PMTs:

- Resistant in SoLID magnetic field
- Suitable for tiling



H8500C-03



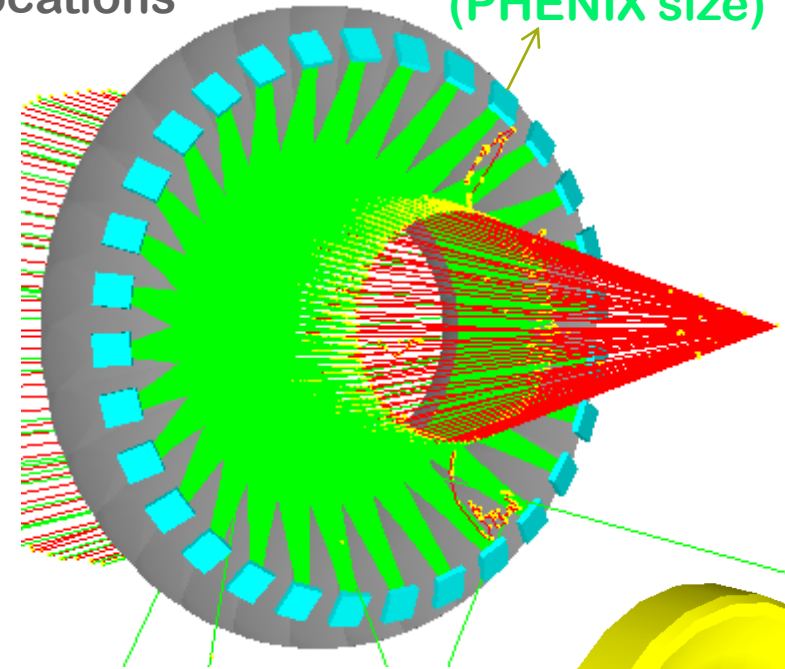


# Electron Cherenkov Signal: GEMs + CsI

→ Very similar configuration possible for SIDIS and PVDIS

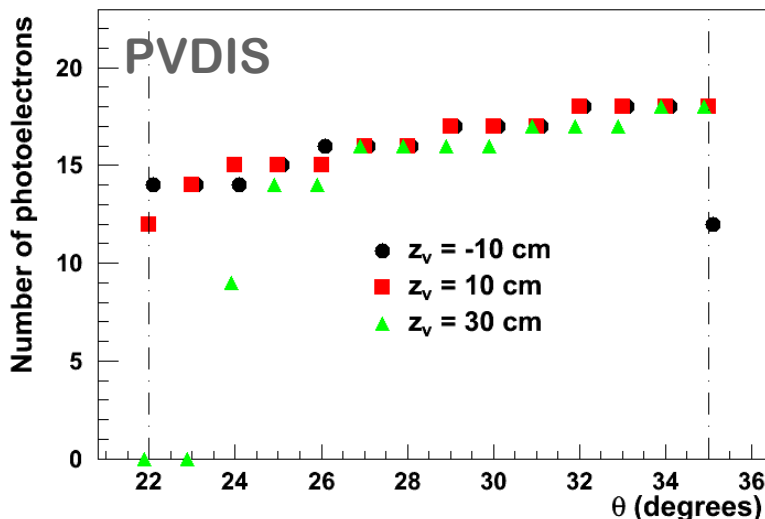
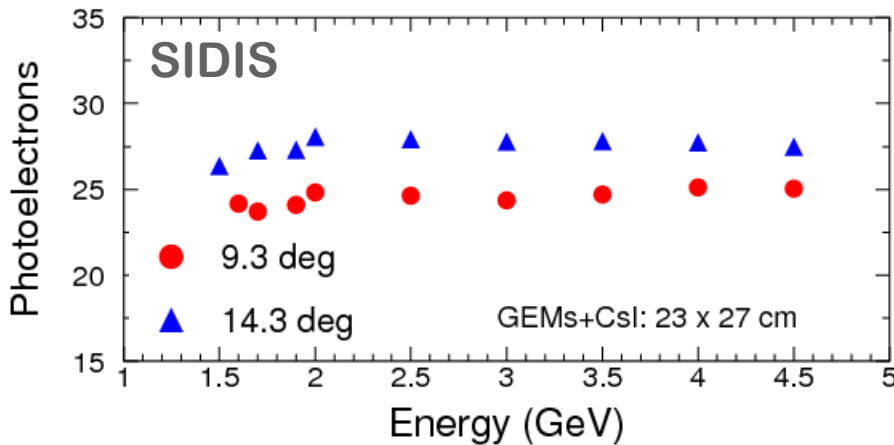
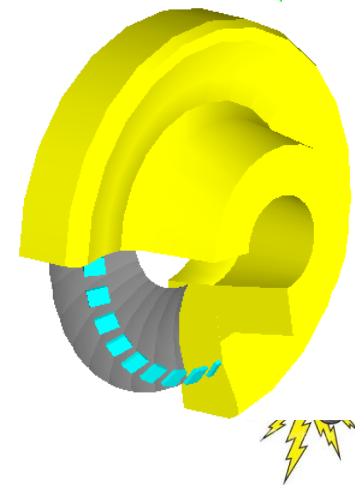
- same tank except for additional piece for SIDIS
- same mirrors, mounted at the same location
- same GEMs + CsI, mounted at different locations
- same gas:  $\text{CF}_4$

23 cm X 27 cm  
(PHENIX size)



The 2 parts of each spherical mirror will have same curvature

→ Signal estimates are based on the PHENIX HBD performance



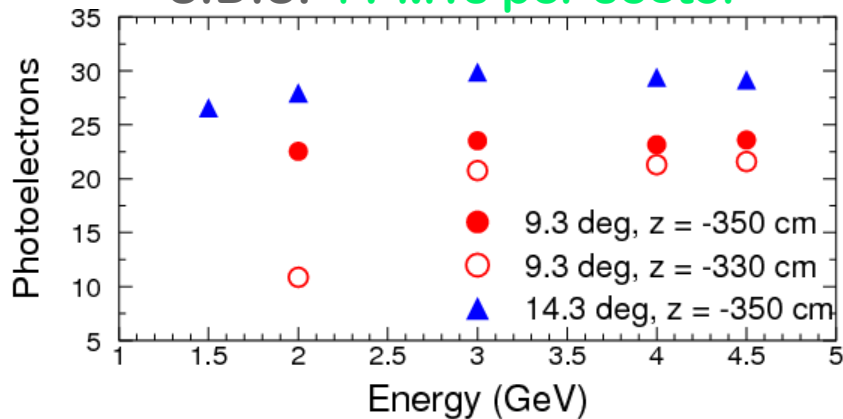


# Electron Cherenkov Signal: PMTs

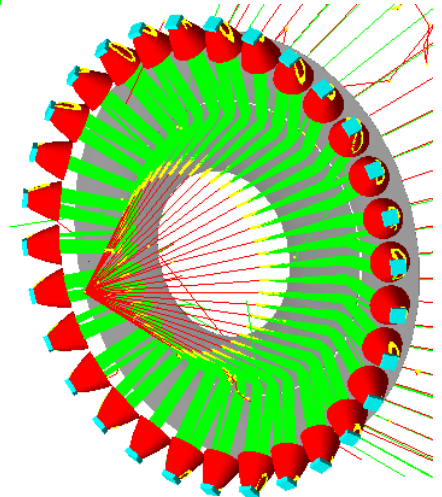
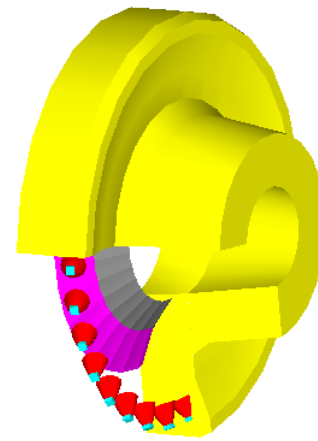
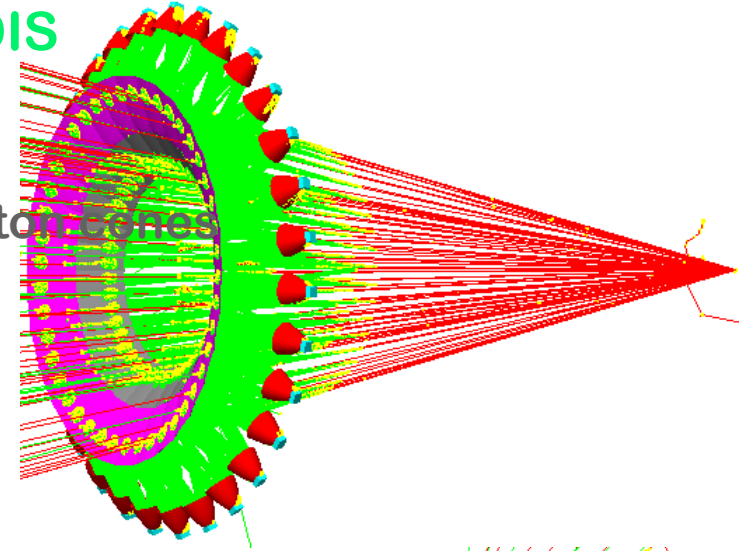
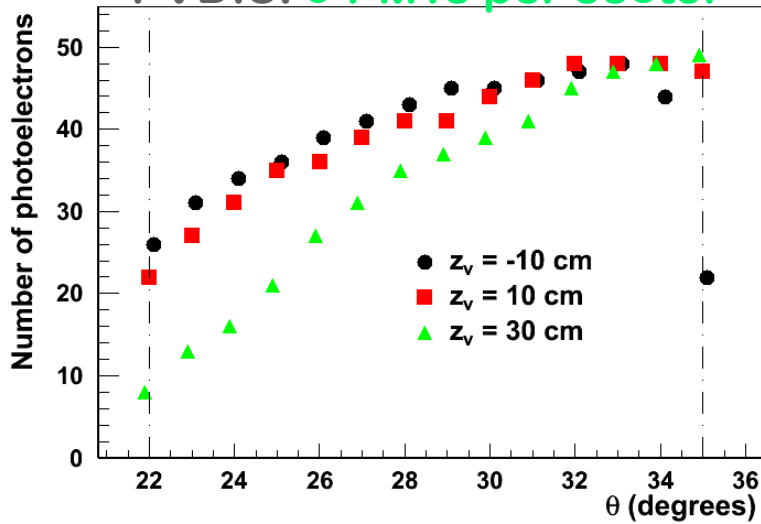
→ Different configurations for SIDIS and PVDIS

- different gas:  $\text{CO}_2$  for SIDIS,  $\text{C}_4\text{F}_{10}$  for PVDIS
- different mirrors
- different size of PMT arrays and different Winston cones

SIDIS: 4 PMTs per sector



PVDIS: 9 PMTs per sector



The 2 parts of each spherical mirror of different curvatures to reduce the number of PMTs per sector



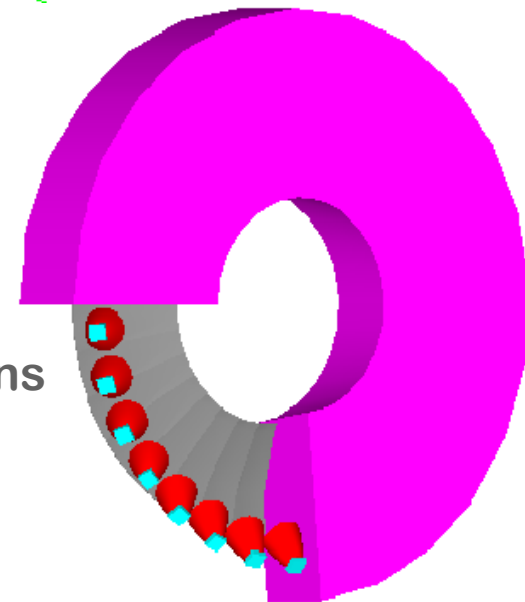
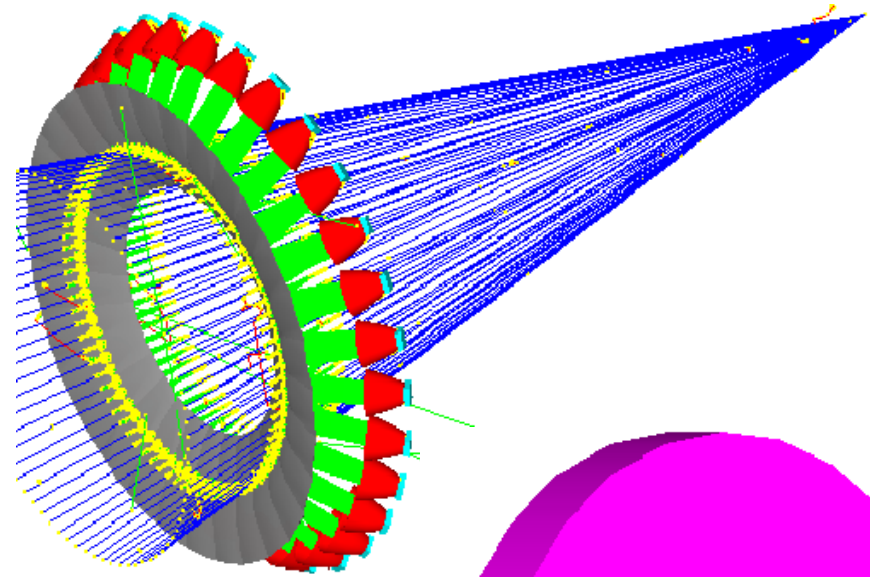
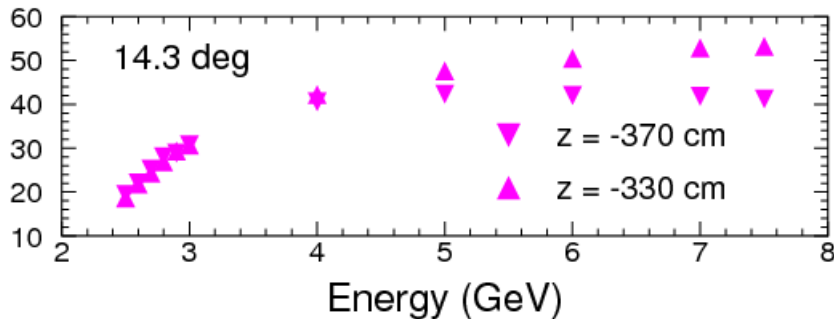
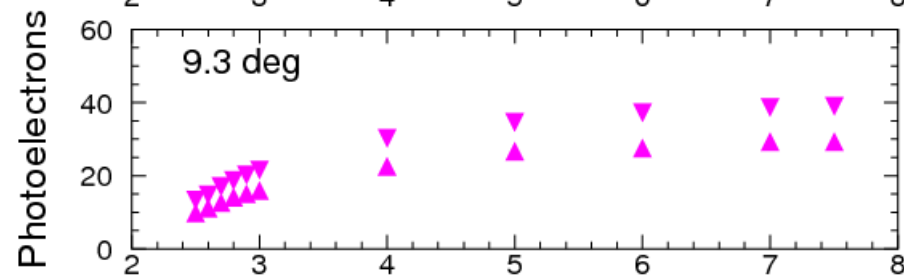
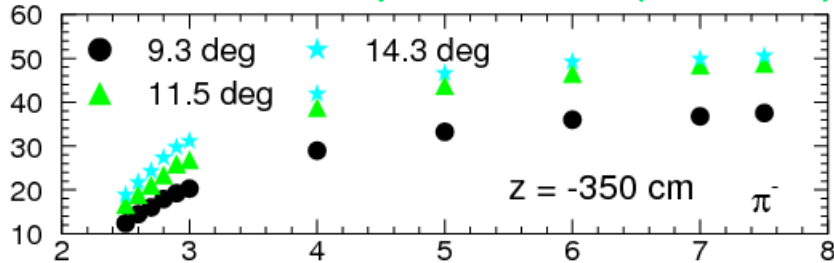


# SIDIS Hadron Cherenkov Signal: **PMTs**

→ Similar design as for SIDIS electron Cherenkov, the **PMT** option

- gas:  $C_4F_{10}$
- **mirrors**: parts with **different curvature** to reduce the number of PMTs per sector → **work in progress**

## SIDIS: 9 PMTs per sector (for now)



Need more iterations to “finalize” design



# PMTs in Magnetic Field

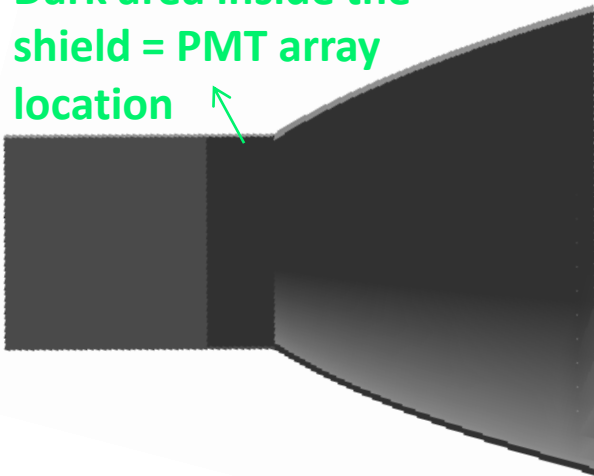
→ From H8500C field tests at Temple U.

- at 20 G (longitudinal field): < 10% signal loss
- at 70 G: 30%

Request sent to Amuneal for “ideal” shield which will incorporate the Winston cones

- longitudinal component of the magnetic field from 150 G to < 20 G
- transverse component of the magnetic field from 70 G to 0 G

Dark area inside the shield = PMT array location



from 150 G to < 20 G  
 from 70 G to 0 G

Estimates based on BaBar v4 field map

Ideal could be higher though (< 50 G)

Amuneal says it's possible with a 2 layer shield:

- inner: Amumetal 0.04"
- outer: 1008 carbon steel 1/8"
- mylar in between 0.062"







# Plans for Hardware Tests

→ **H8500C-03 test** in Hall A during  $g_2^p$ :

→ “simple” background test: PMT in dark box placed “strategically” in the hall in in-beam environment

→ **GEMs + CsI test** in Hall A during  $g_2^p$ :

In collaboration with some from the **Stony Brook/BNL** HBD group; interested in tests for **future EIC developments**

→ Phase 1 – “background response” test: one GEM + CsI unit placed in small tank with Argon gas (for example)

→ Phase 2 – “signal response” test: one GEM + CsI unit placed in tank with  $CF_4$  gas and mirror

▪ Need to figure out feasibility: enough counting rates where space could be available ?





# (Some) Preliminary Cost Estimates

## → Configuration 1:

SIDIS/PVDIS e<sup>-</sup> Cherenkov  
~725 K

SIDIS π Cherenkov  
~1.2 M

	SIDIS/PVDIS e <sup>-</sup> Cherenkov	SIDIS π Cherenkov
Mirrors	25,000	25,000
Mirror coating	100,000	100,000
PMTs	-	3,000 X 279** = 837K
Cones*	-	1,350 X 31
GEMs + CsI	200,000?	-
Gas system	200,000?	200,000?
Tank	200,000?	200,000?

## → Configuration 2:

SIDIS/PVDIS e<sup>-</sup> Cherenkov  
~1.3 M

SIDIS π Cherenkov  
~1.2 M

	SIDIS/PVDIS e <sup>-</sup> Cherenkov	SIDIS π Cherenkov
Mirrors	25,000 X 2	25,000
Mirror coating	100,000 X 2	100,000
PMTs	3,000 X 124 = 372 K	3,000 X 279**
Cones*	1,350 X 62 = 83.7 K	1,350 X 31 = 41.9 K
Gas system	200,000? X 2	-
Tank	200,000?	200,000?

\*Cost for straight cones; Winston cones substantially more expensive

\*\* will attempt to reduce it to 124





# Summary

→ We need **3 threshold Cherenkov** detectors for electron and pion identification (for approved **SIDIS** and **PVDIS** experiments):

→ **Design**: system of **spherical mirrors** will focus the Cherenkov light on **small-size photon detectors**



**Configuration 1** SIDIS/PVDIS e<sup>-</sup> Cherenkov: magnetic field insensitive **GEMs + CsI**  
SIDIS  $\pi$  Cherenkov: SoLID magnetic field insensitive **PMTs (with shielding)**



**Configuration 2** SIDIS/PVDIS e<sup>-</sup> Cherenkov and SIDIS  $\pi$  Cherenkov: SoLID magnetic field insensitive **PMTs (with shielding)**

→ Hardware tests of both photon detectors planned before the shutdown

→ **More to do:**

→ Iterate design

→ switch to “final” magnet configuration (CLEO)

→ implement Cherenkov design in official SoLID simulation, GEMC

→ ...





# Backup Slides

Optimization of optical system

GEMs + CsI

→ Photocathode

→ GEMs

→ Gas

→ Mirrors

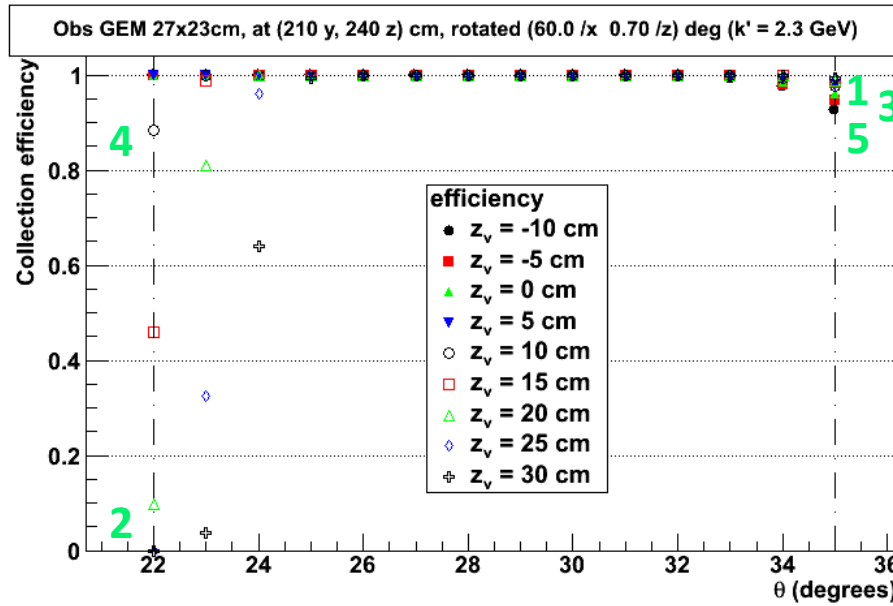
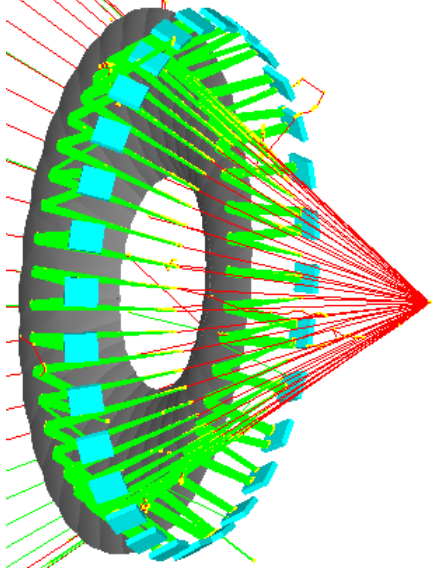
PMTs: H8500C-03



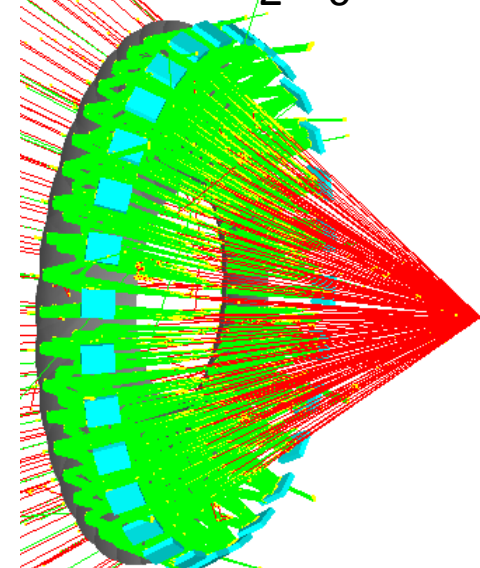


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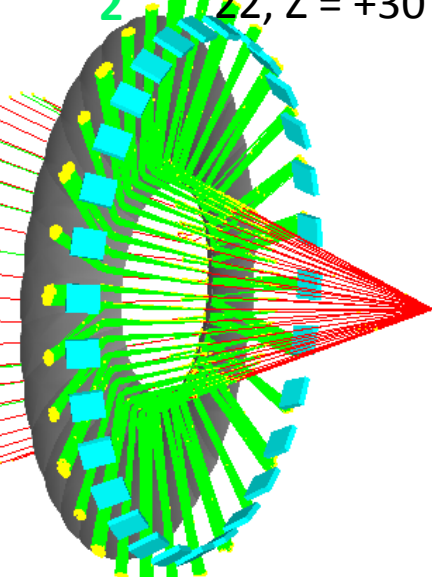
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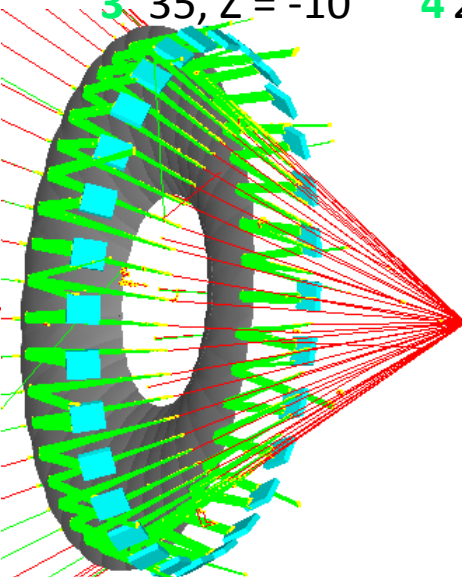
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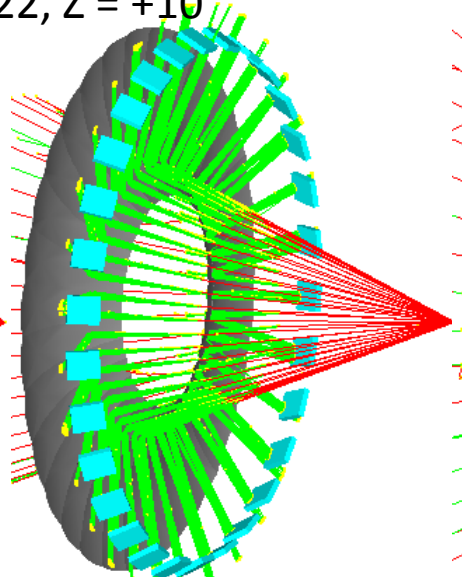
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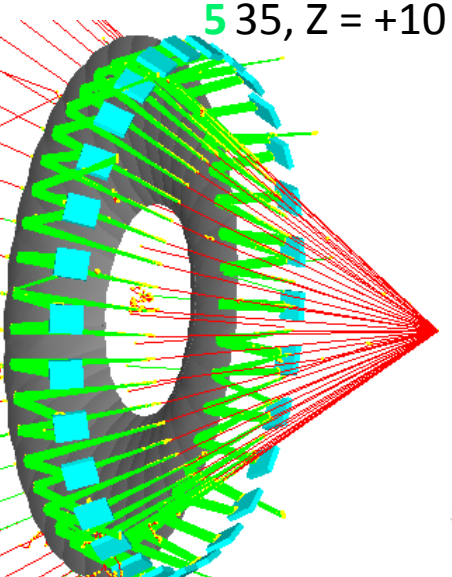
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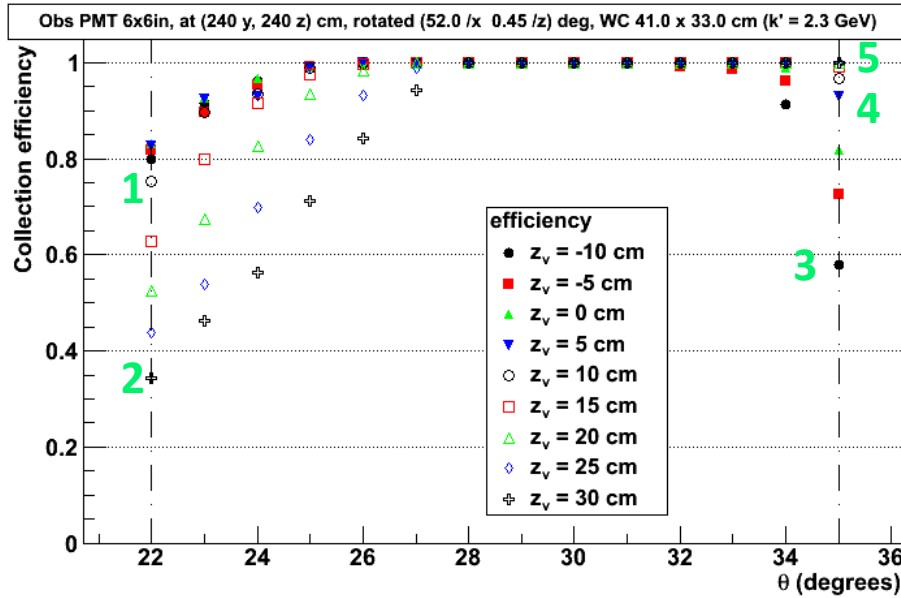
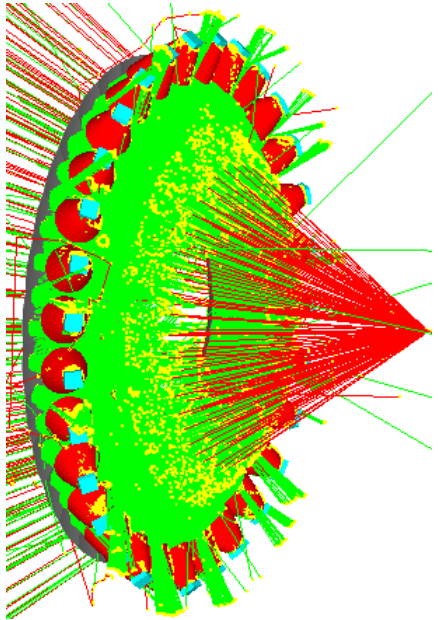
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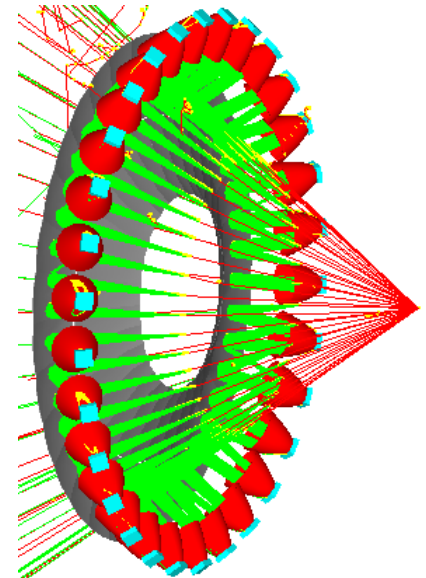


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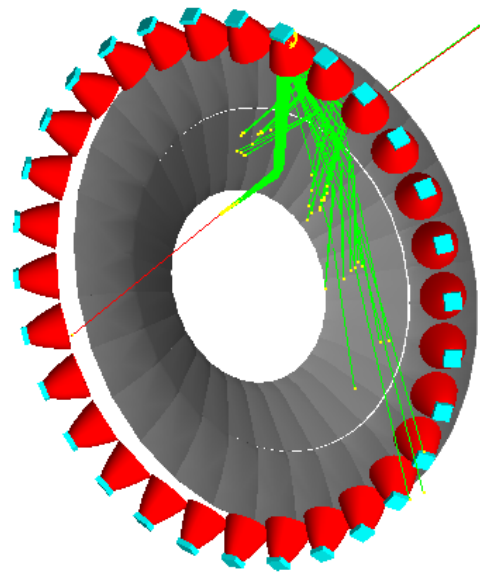
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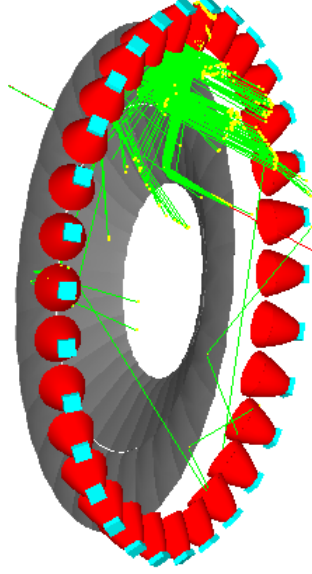
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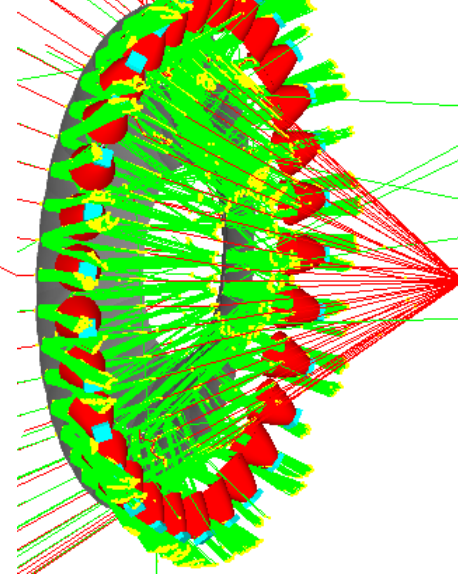
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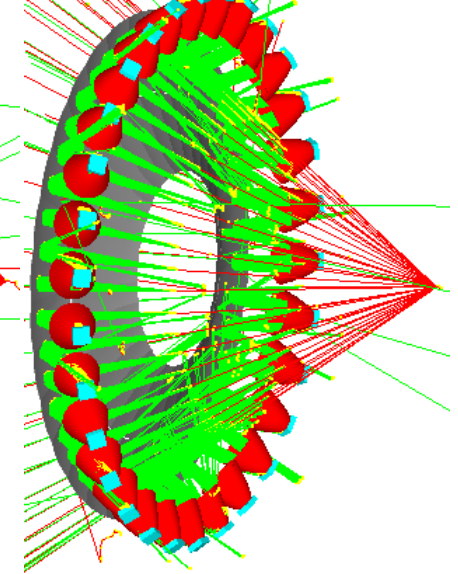
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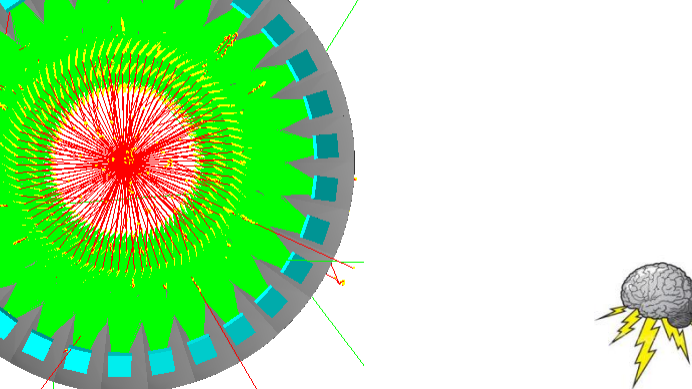
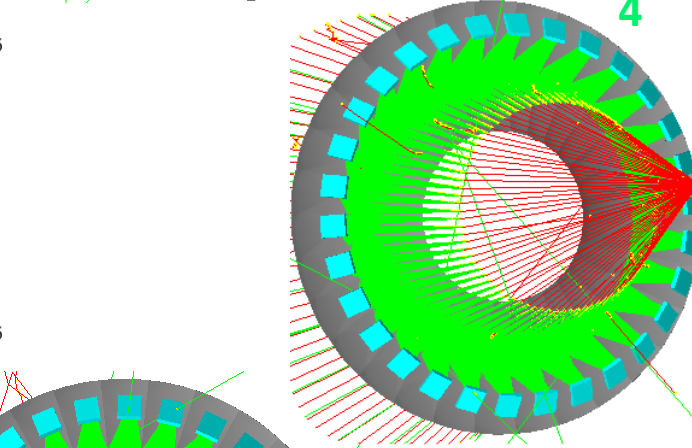
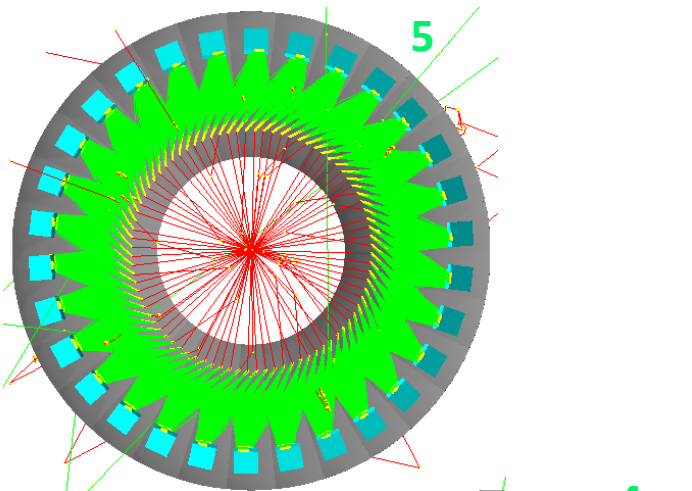
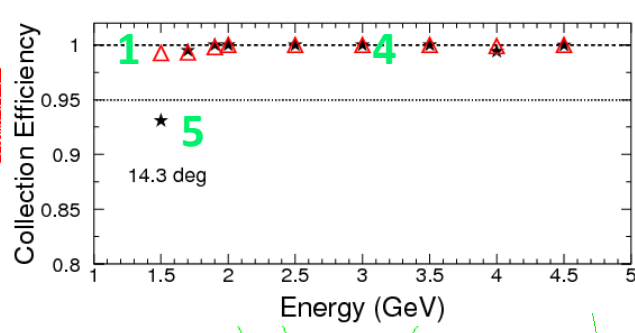
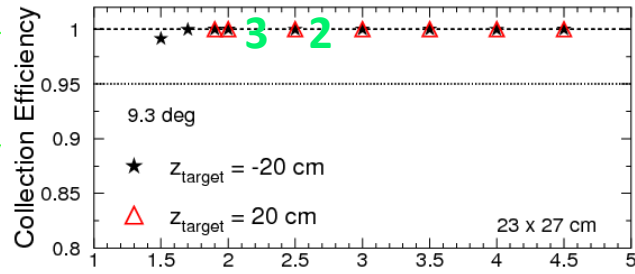
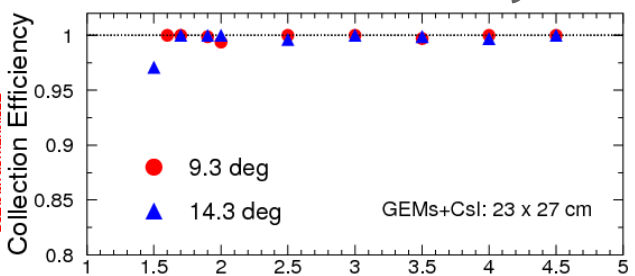
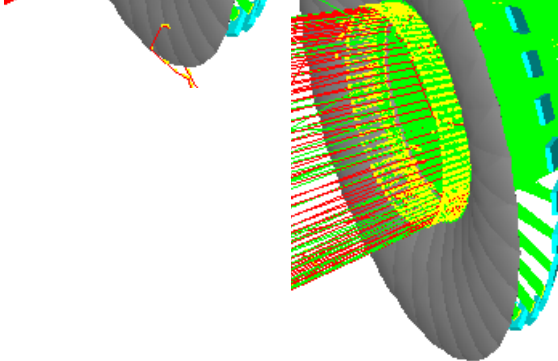
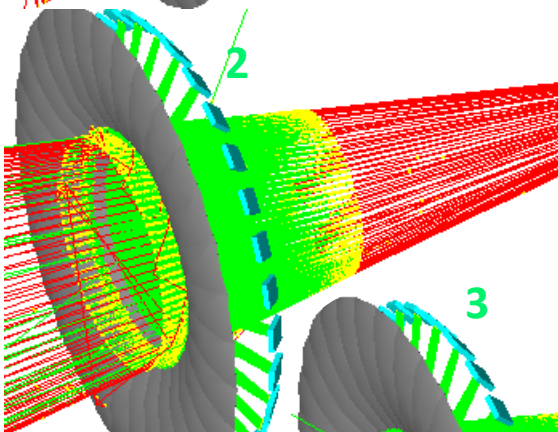
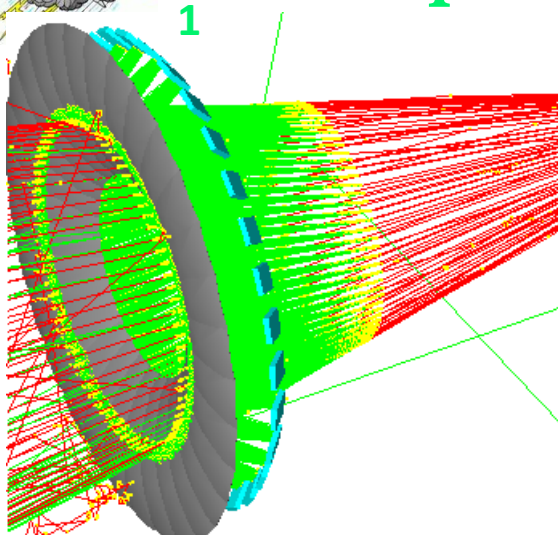
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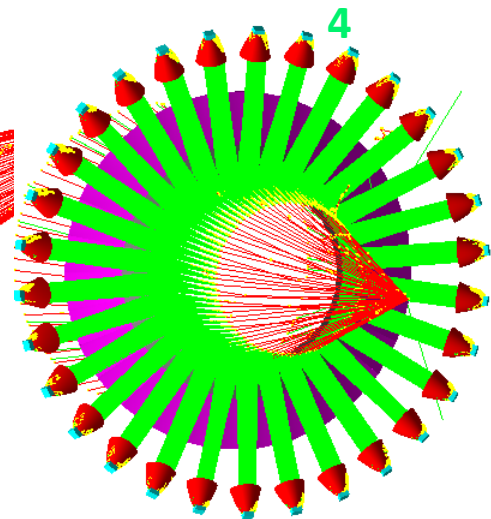
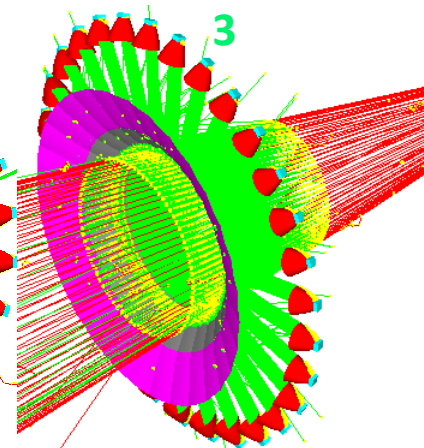
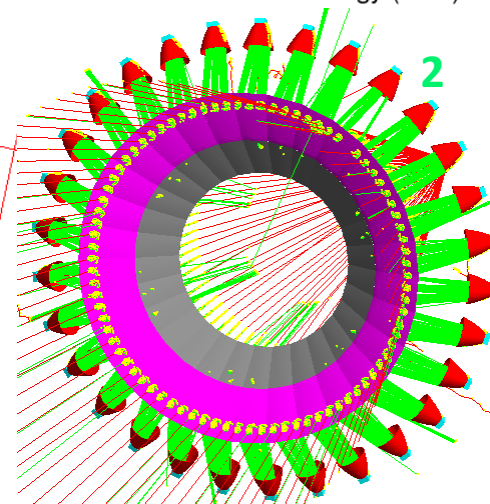
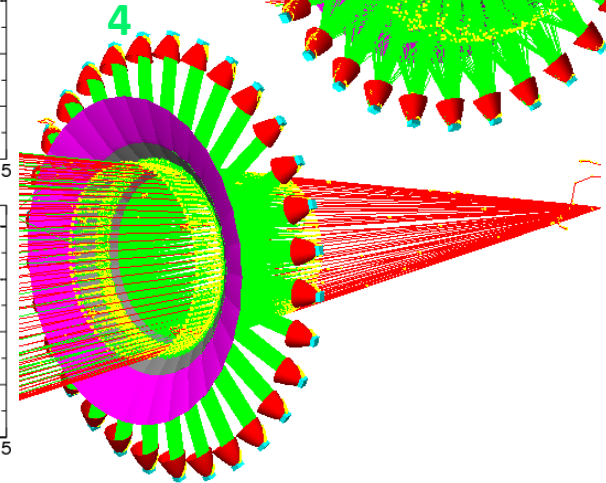
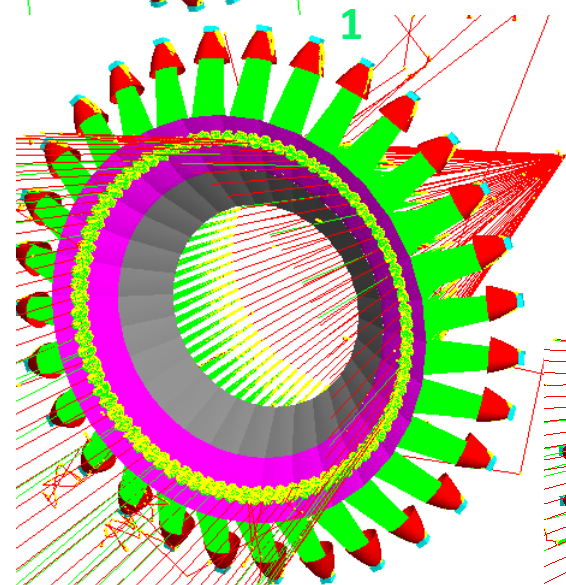
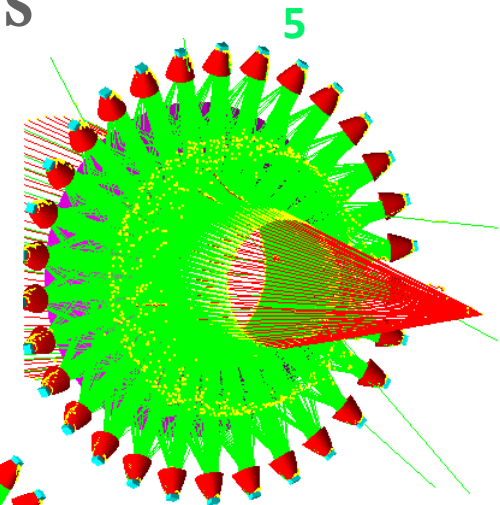
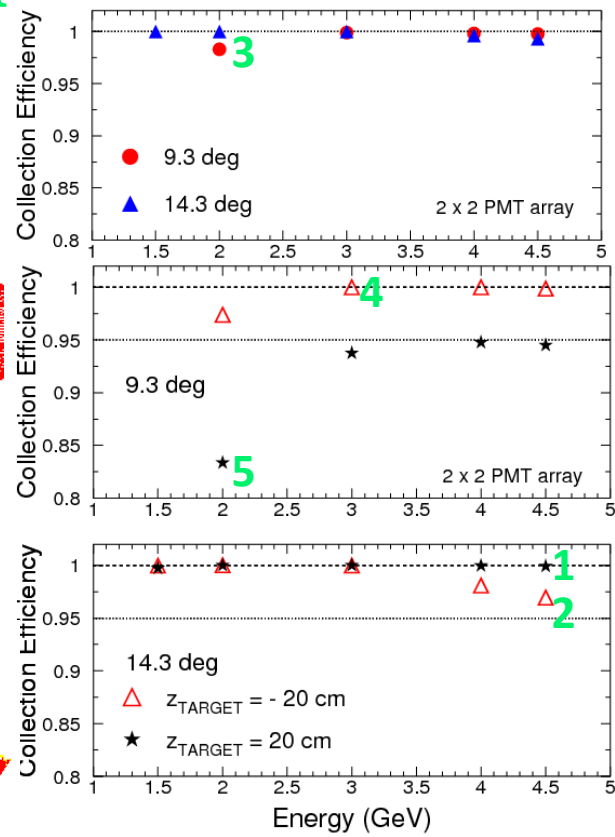
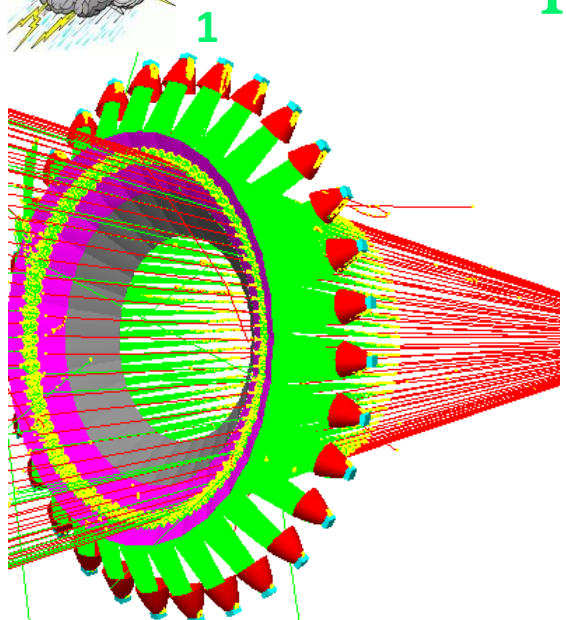


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# Optimization: SIDIS, PMTs







# GEMs + CsI: Photocathode

→ General, ~random facts about CsI: why CsI?

- highest efficiency of solid UV photocathodes: low electron affinity & large electron escape probability
- UV photocathode preferred over visible range ones because the latter are highly reactive to even extremely small amounts of impurities (oxygen, water)
- typically deposited on metal substrates (or optically transparent substrates if semitransparent)
  - deposition on Cu should be avoided (Cu and CsI interact chemically): best results deposition of CsI on Cu coated with Ni or Ni/Au

→ Photoemission of electrons depends on gas and electric field

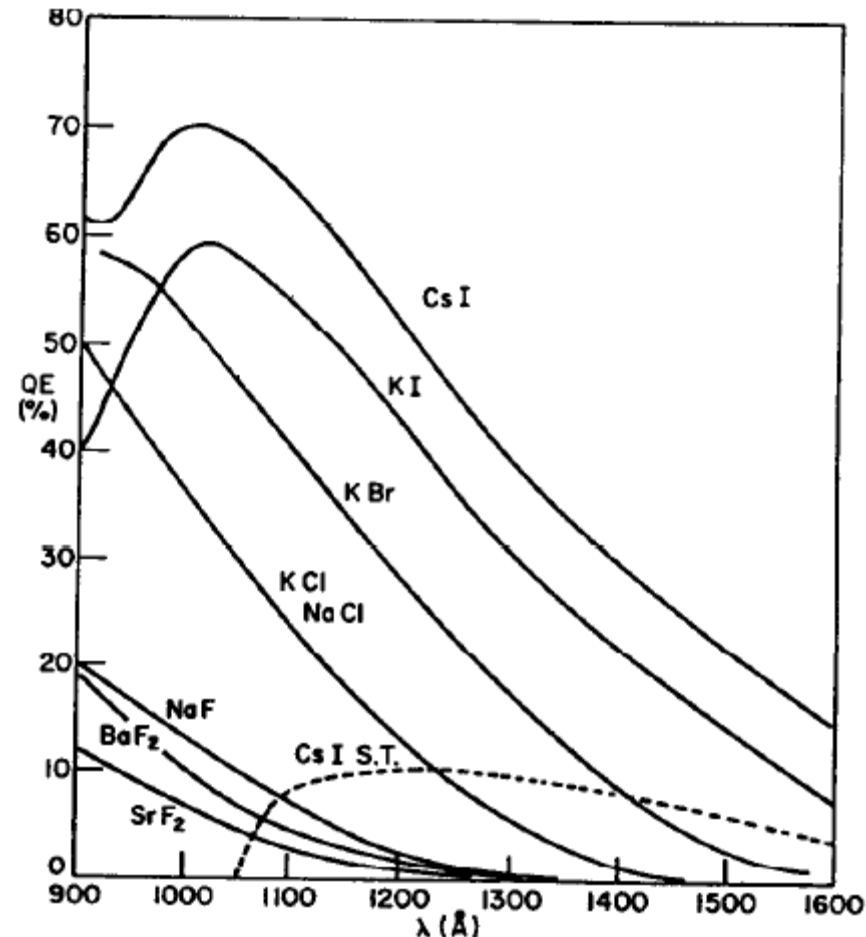


Fig. 1. Typical quantum yields versus wavelength for reflective alkali halide photocathodes. Shown for comparison is a typical quantum yield curve for a semitransparent CsI photocathode deposited on a LiF window (CsI S.T.) [2].





# GEMs + CsI: Photocathode

→ **General**, ~random facts about **CsI**:  
degradation because of ...

→ **humidity**: decay caused by hydrolysis  
example: 50% reduction in QE after 100 min. exposure to air with 50% humidity

→ post-evaporation heat-treated photocathodes have a considerably lower decay rate when exposed to humidity →

→ **intense photon flux and ion bombardment**: decay caused by dissociation of CsI molecules; iodine atoms evaporate and Cs<sup>+</sup> with a higher e<sup>-</sup> affinity causes a reduction in QE

→ **surface contamination**

→ **radiation damage with neutral or charged particles**

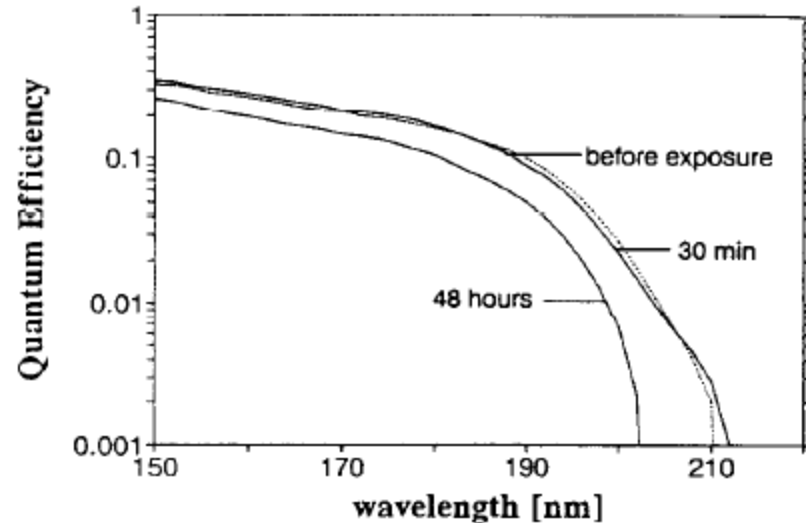
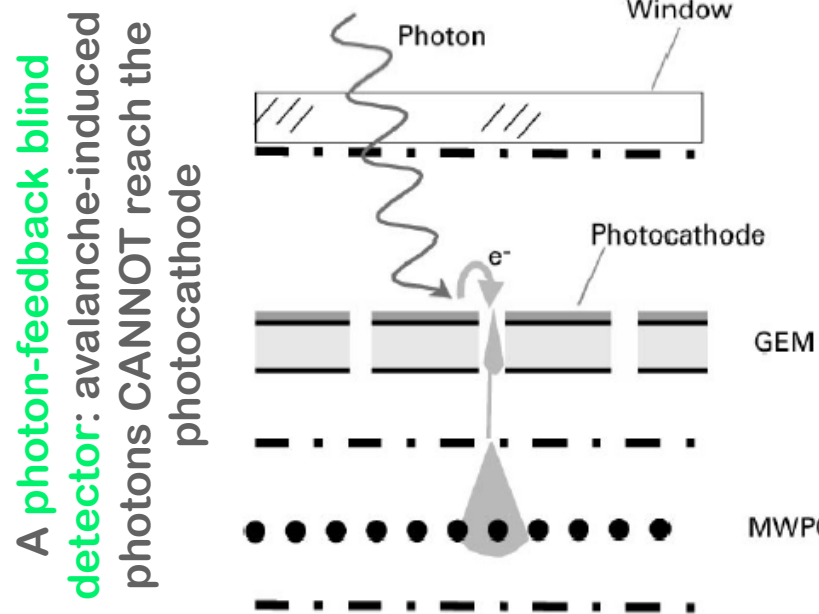


Fig. 22. The decay of the QE of CsI films evaporated on Ni/Au-coated printed circuit board under exposure to air, at a relative humidity of 35% [30].



A. Breskin, NIM A 371 (1996) 116-136

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# GEMs + CsI: Photocathode

→ PHENIX facts on CsI: deposition, QE measurements, monitoring

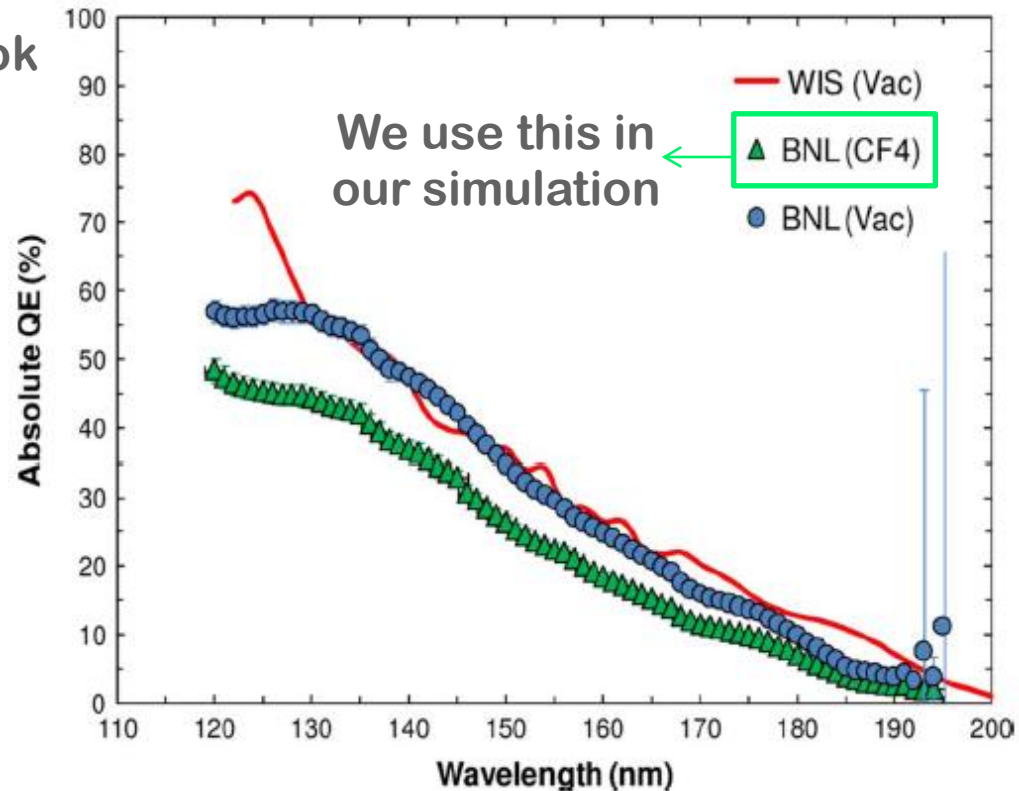
→ assembly and coating: Stony Brook

GEMs assembled in clean (dust-free) and dry ( $H_2O < 10$  ppm) environment

Au GEMs coated with CsI using evaporator; QE measured at one wavelength, 160 nm (at BNL the QE is measured from 120 nm to 200 nm)

The CsI coated GEMs are then transferred and assembled inside a glovebox

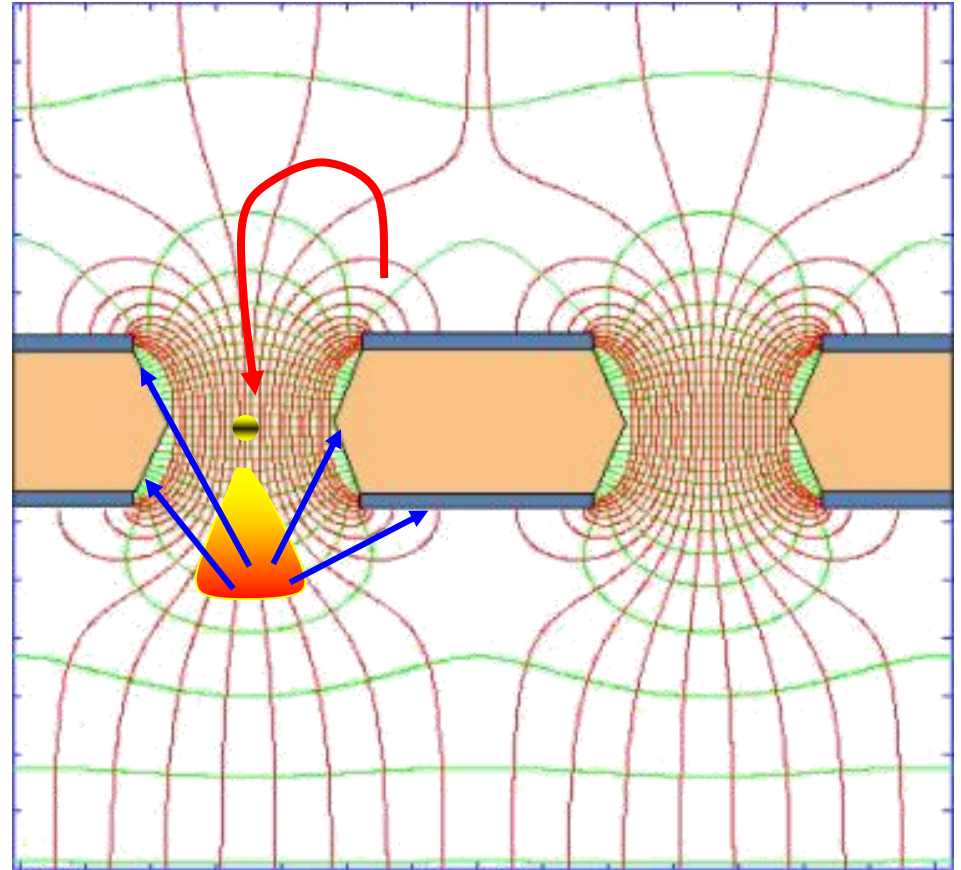
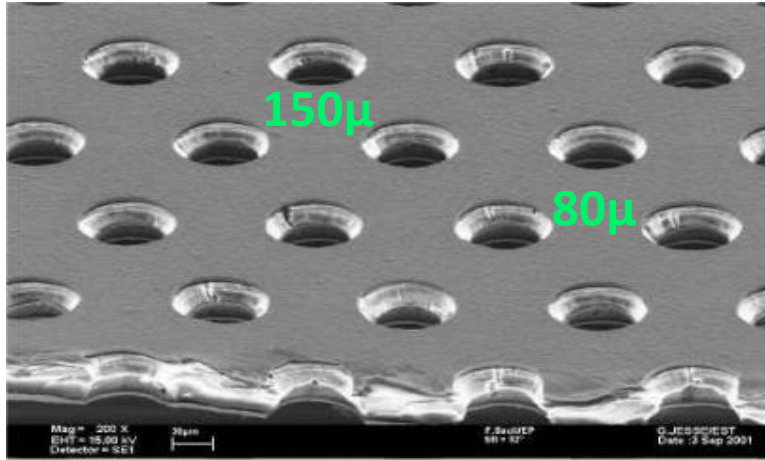
→ relative measurements of CsI QE performed periodically during PHENIX to check for possible degradation (special device needed)





# GEMs + CsI: GEMs

→ GEMs: pictures from Tom Hemmick



→ HV creates very **strong field** such that the avalanche develops inside the holes

Makes it **insensitive to magnetic field**

**Deposition of photocathode on the first layer of GEM** makes it **photon-feedback blind**: avalanche-induced photons **CANNOT** reach the photocathode

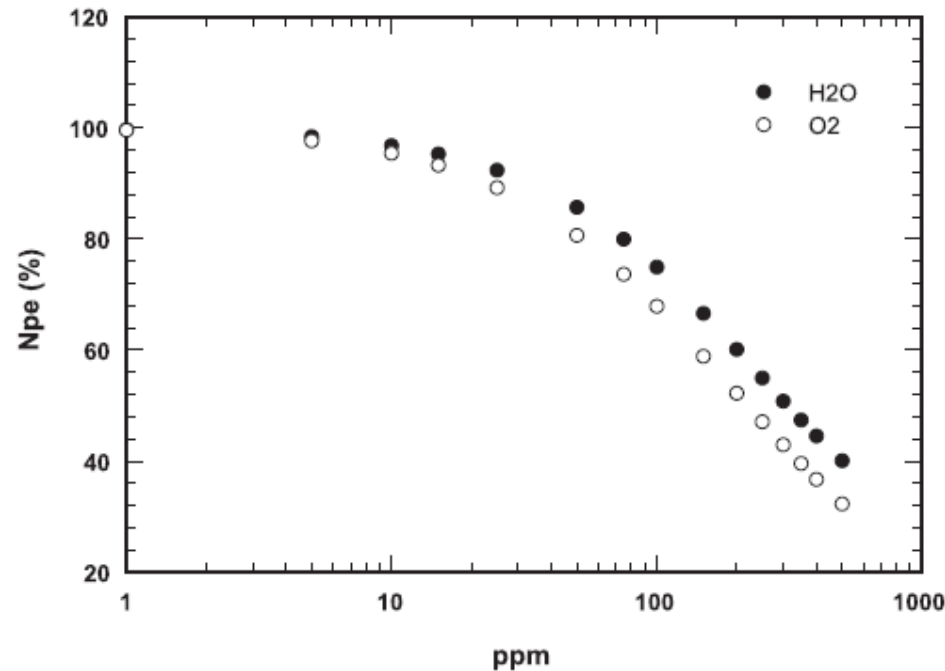
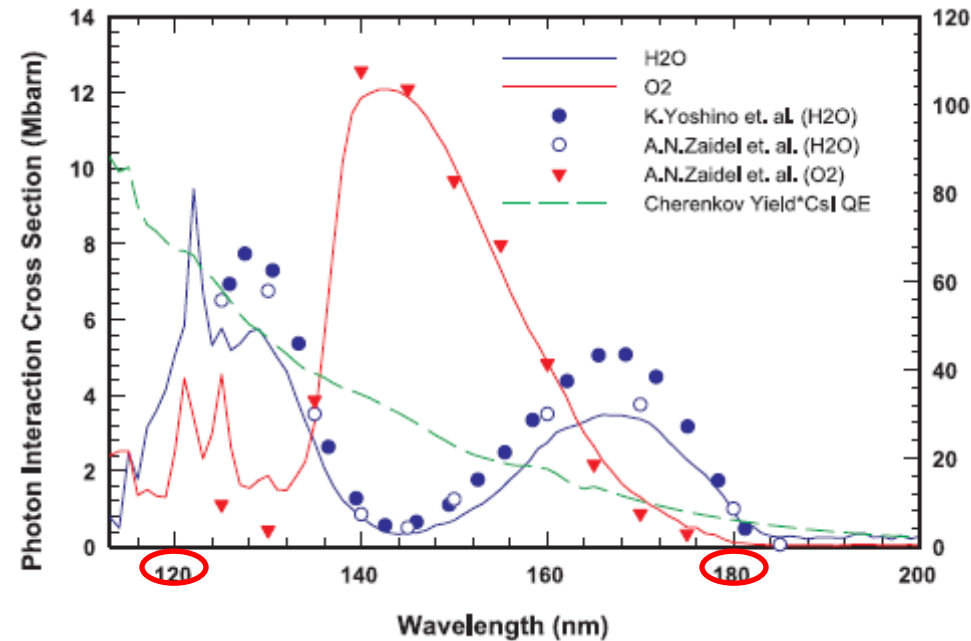




# GEMs + CsI: Gas

→ Need a gas transparent to **deep UV** light: **CF<sub>4</sub>**

- **The gas** purity is very important: impurities can affect the gas transmittance (and photocathode performance)



**Water** and **Oxygen**: strong absorption peaks for Cherenkov light where CsI is sensitive (< 200 nm)

Small levels of either impurity => loss of photons and therefore **loss of photoelectrons**

- **PHENIX** had an **independent monitoring system** to detect low levels of contamination

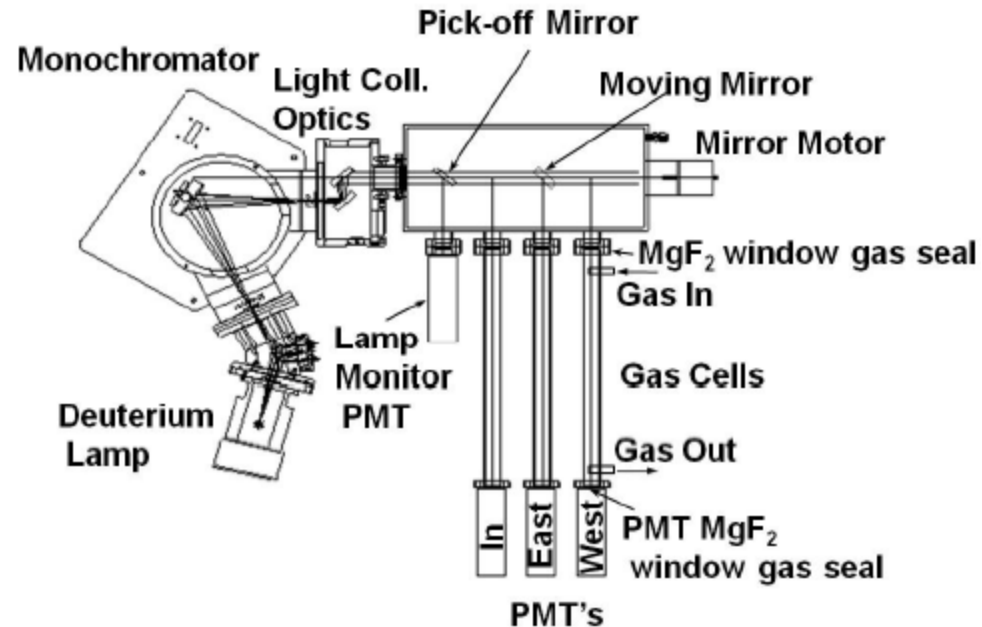
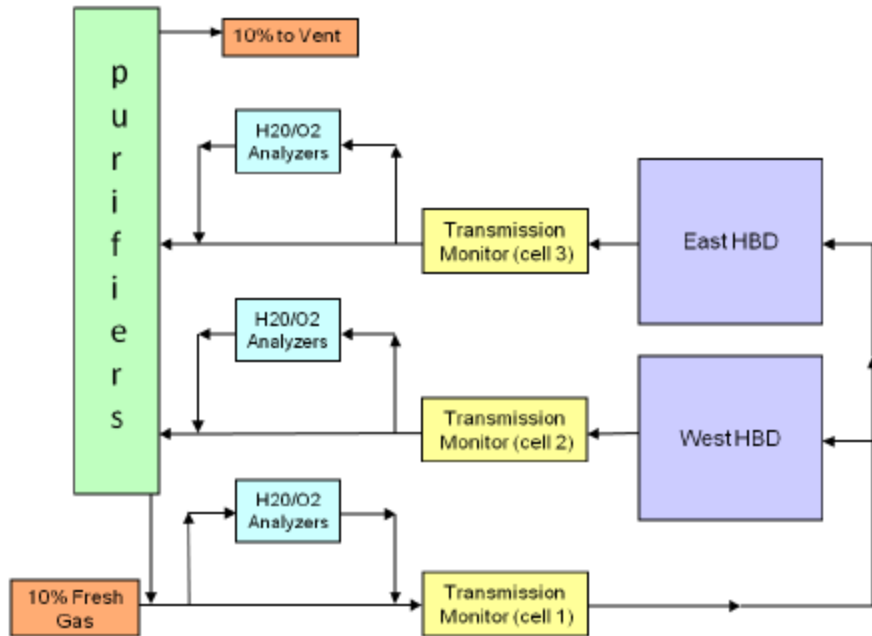




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- **PHENIX** recirculating gas system used to supply and monitor pure  $\text{CF}_4$  gas

- Gas transmittance monitor system used by **PHENIX** to measure impurities at the few ppm level

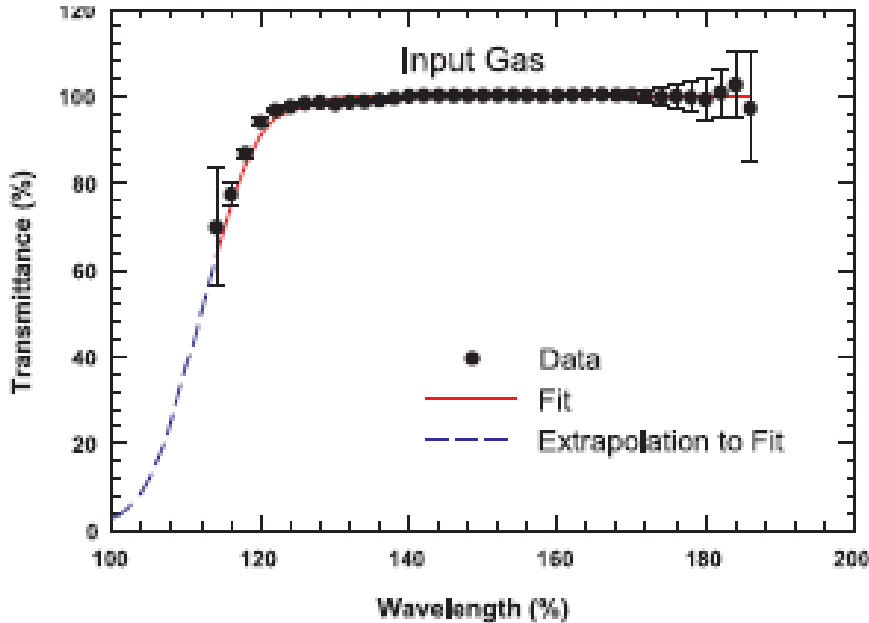




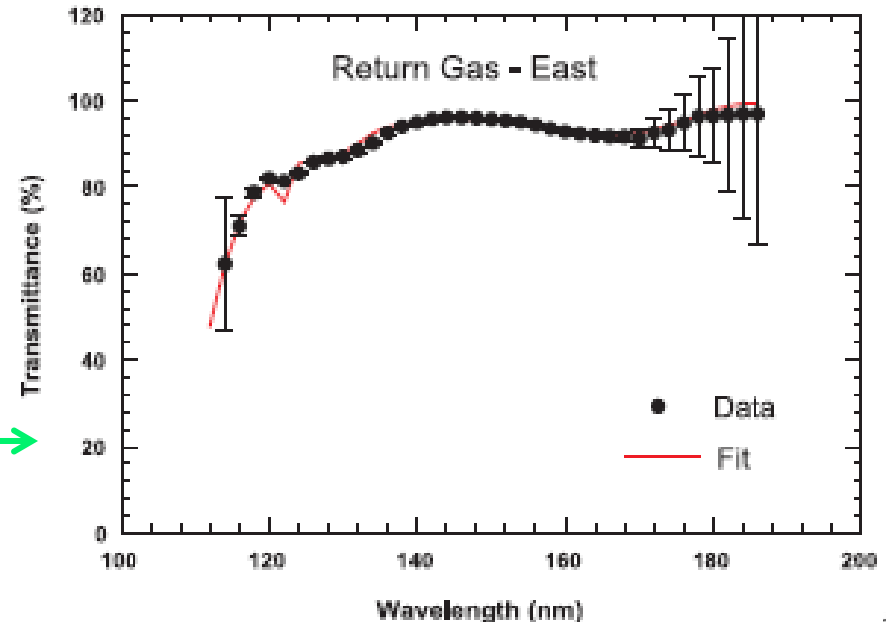
# GEMs + CsI: Gas

→ Need a gas transparent to **deep UV** light: **CF<sub>4</sub>**

- **The gas** purity is very important: impurities can affect the gas transmittance (and photocathode performance)



← Very good purity of the **input gas**: **< 2 ppm impurities** (water and oxygen)



The **output gas**: **20-30 ppm water** and **2-3 ppm oxygen** impurities →

- Throughout PHENIX run: **< 5% loss of photoelectrons** because of gas impurities





# GEMs + CsI: Mirrors

→ We need mirrors with **good reflectivity in deep UV**

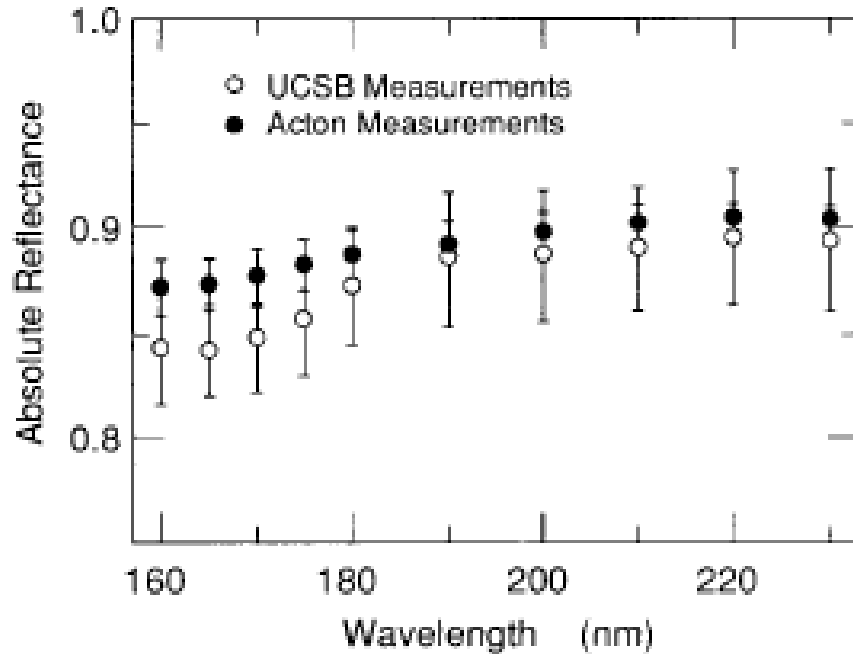


Fig. 8. Results of the reflectivity measurement of the witness coupons for all 430 mirrors at Acton Corp. and UCSB for the light at wavelengths 160–230 nm.

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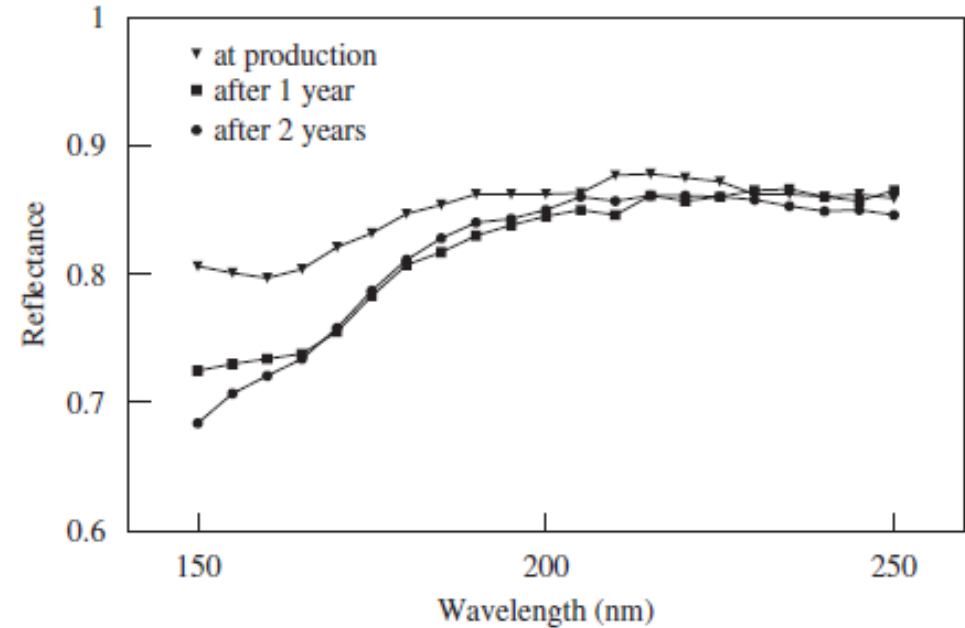


Fig. 36. Measured reflectance for a typical mirror piece. The measurements have been performed shortly after production, 1 and 2 years later.

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cutoff at 150 nm from quartz window

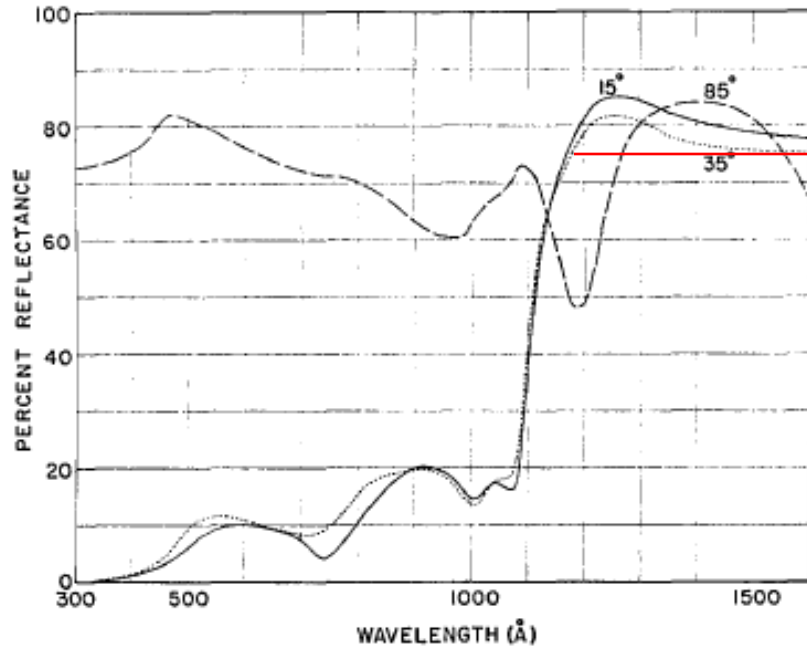




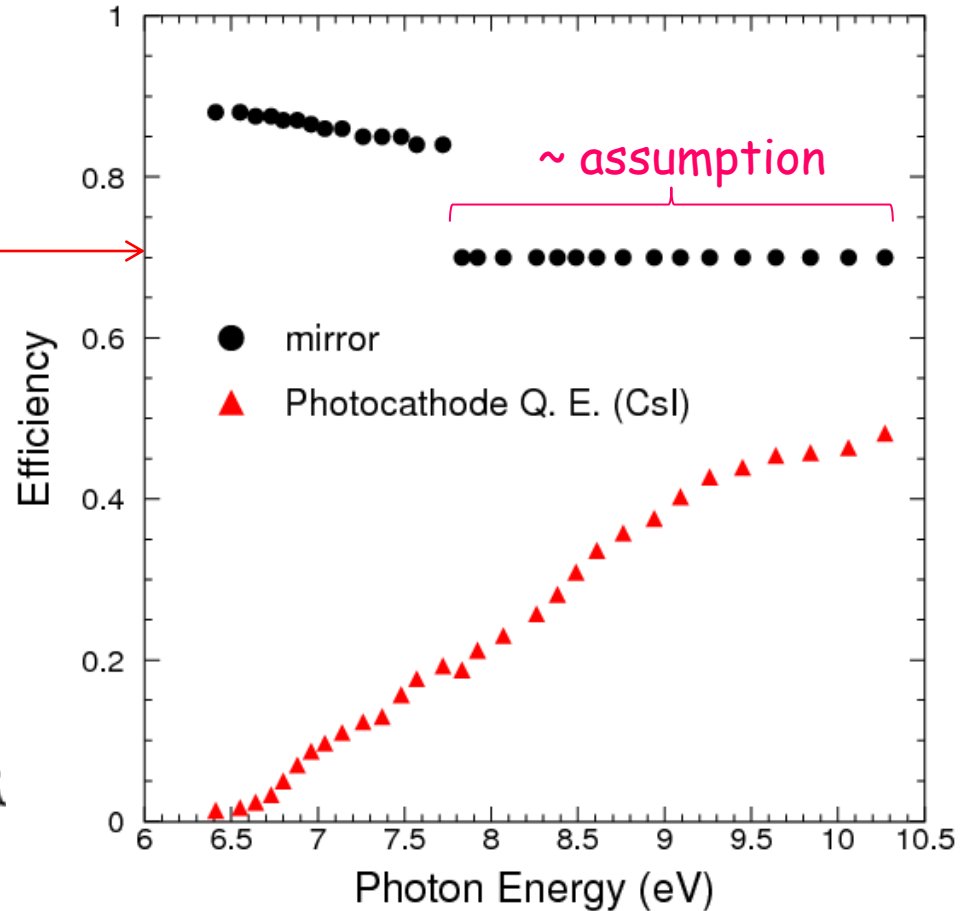


# GEMs + CsI: Mirrors

→ We need mirrors with **good reflectivity in deep UV**



Measured reflectance of an Al + MgF<sub>2</sub> mirror from 300 Å to 1600 Å. The MgF<sub>2</sub> thickness is 250 Å.



We use this in our simulation

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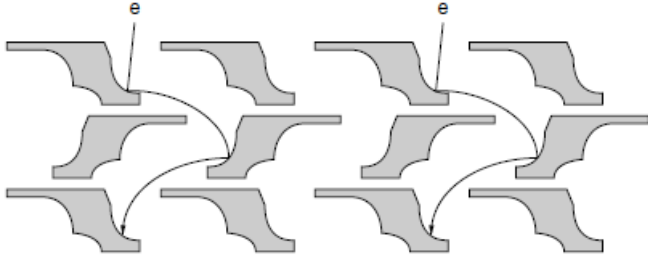




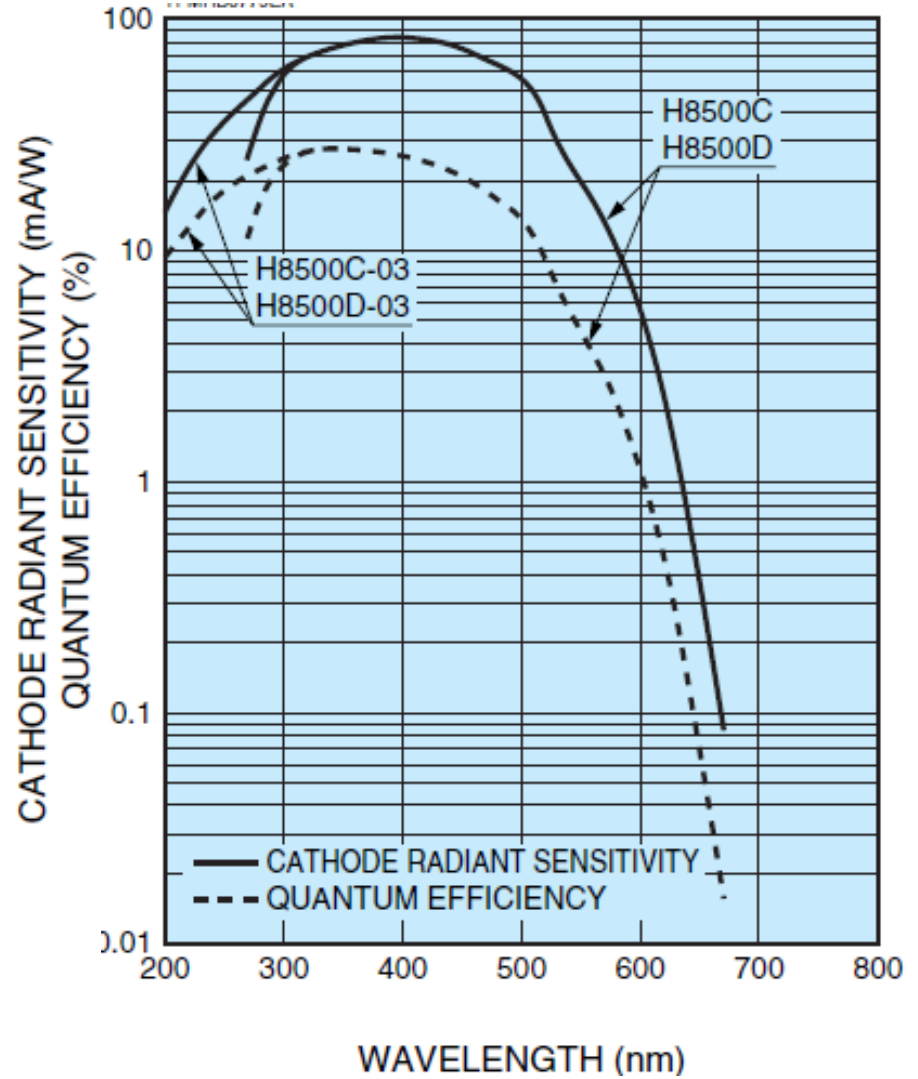
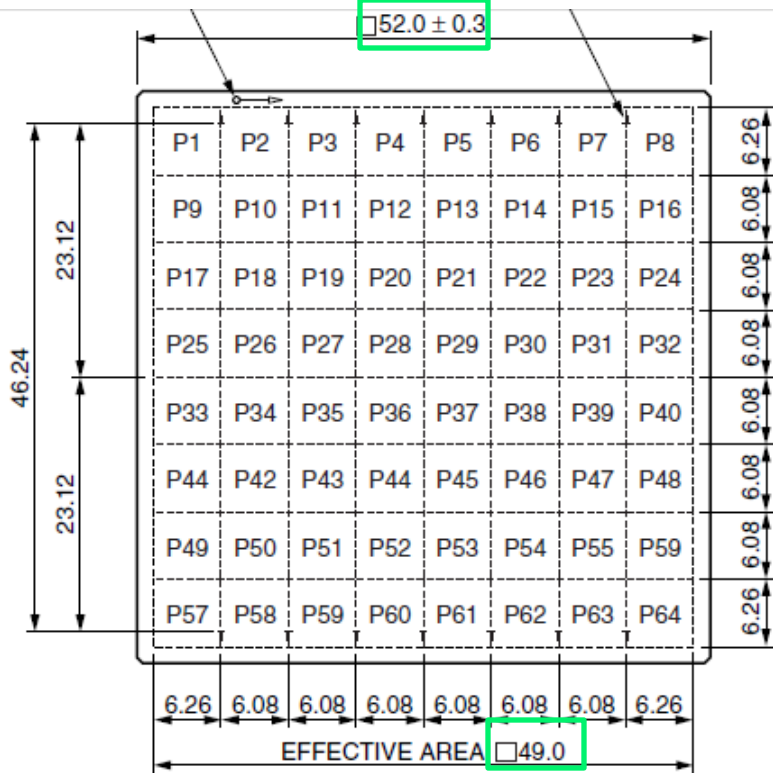
# PMT: H8500C-03

→ Hamamatsu specifications:

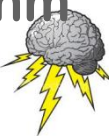
→ Metal channel dynode structure



→ 64-channel multianode



→ spectral response: 185-650 nm with UV glass

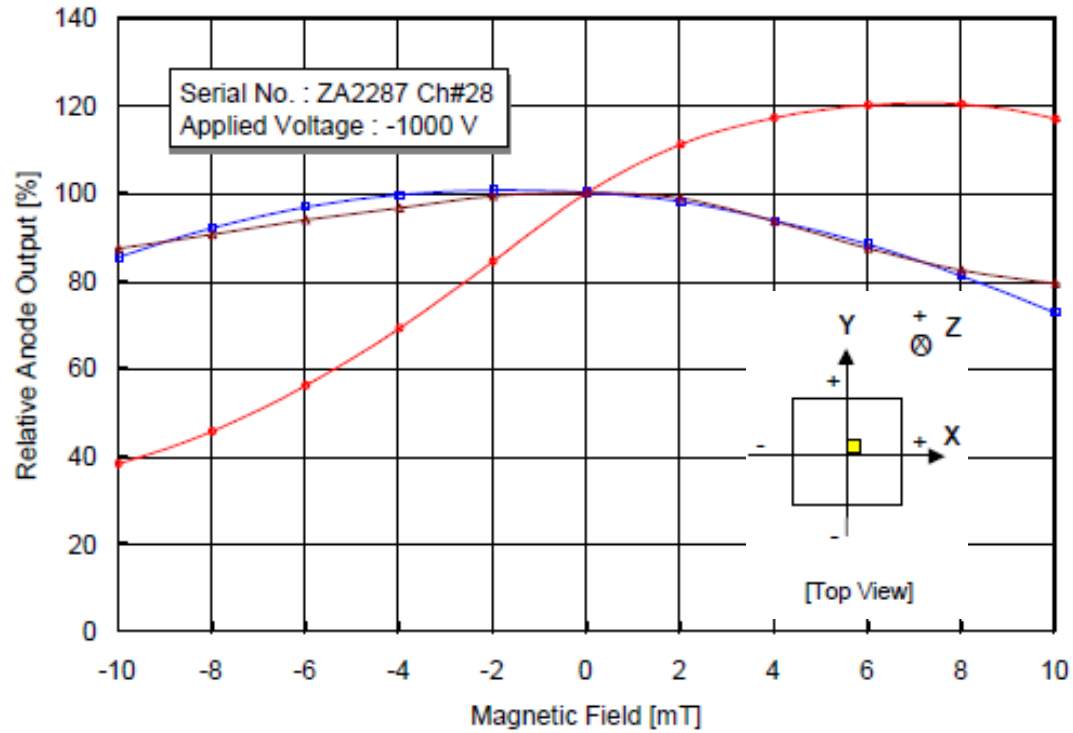




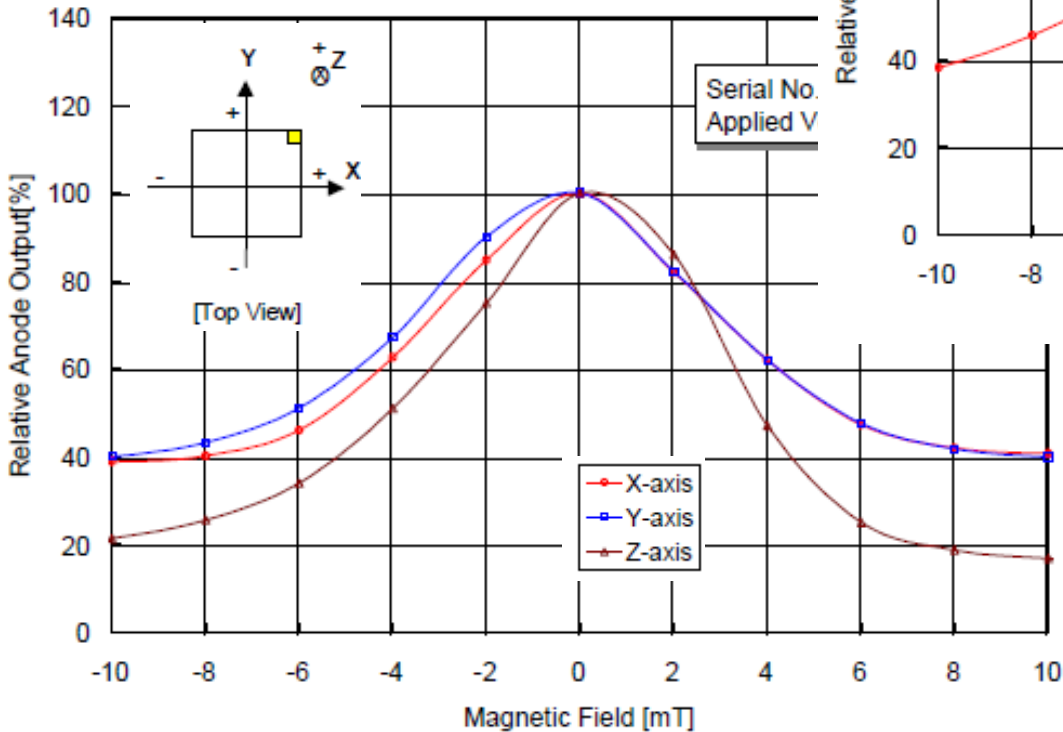
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### H8500 Magnetic Field Characteristics



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# PMT: H8500C-03

→ H8500C magnetic field tests at Temple U.: July 18-22, 2011

→ We tested H8500C (H8500C-03 expected to have similar response in magnetic field)

Source:  
green LED

PMT: back view

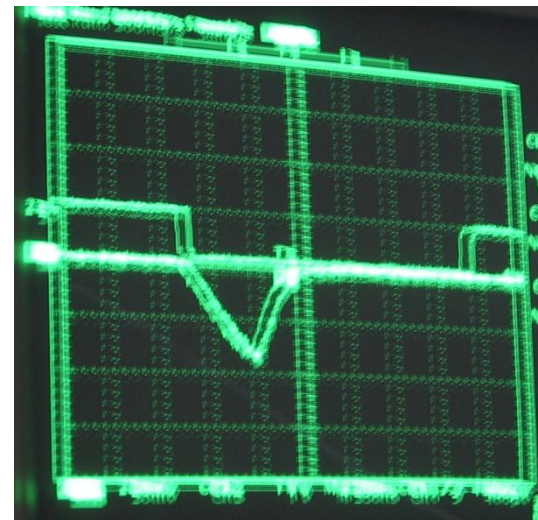
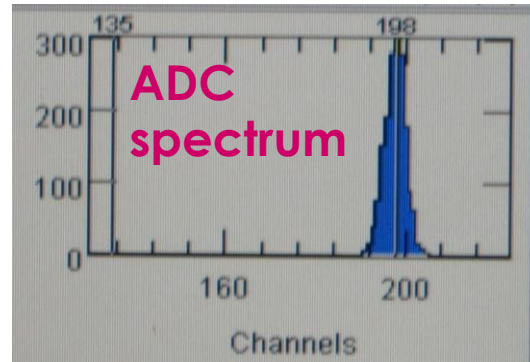


Dark box

HV cable

coils

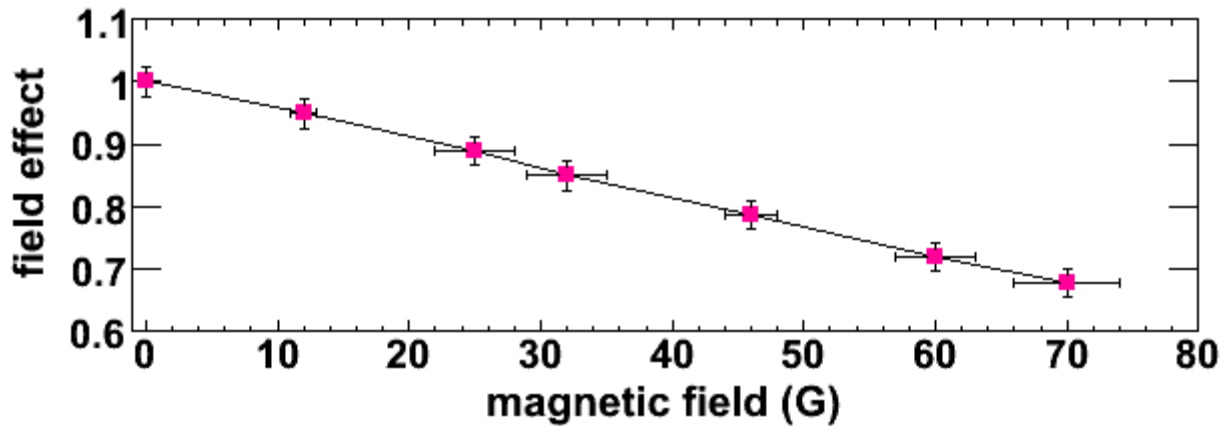
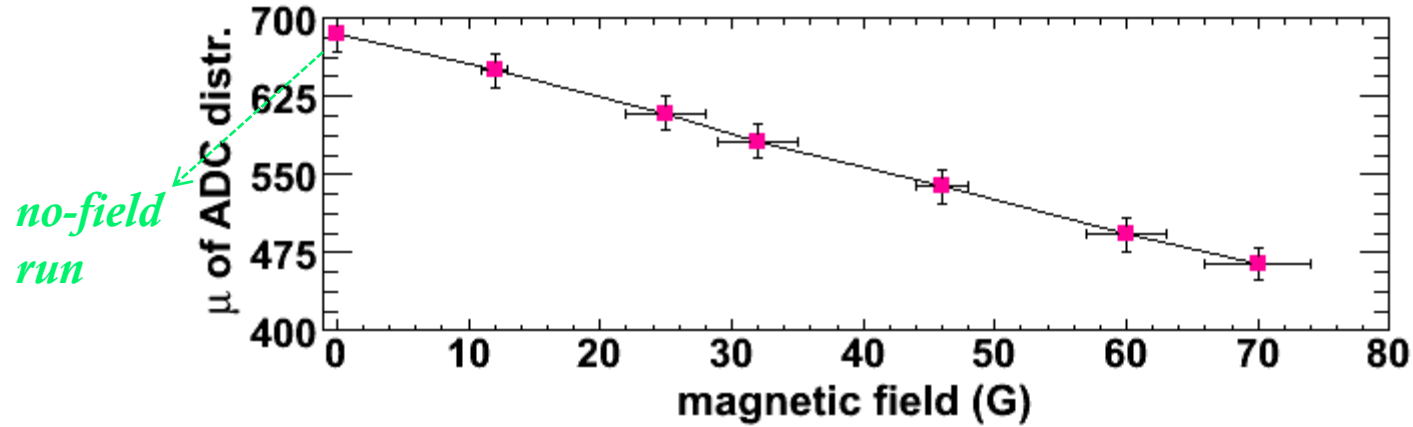
For our tests we “read” the sum of all anodes





# PMT: H8500C-03

→ H8500C magnetic field tests at Temple U.: July 18-22, 2011



→ The PMT experiences “only” a **30% signal reduction at 70 G** (not bad)

